



AUSTRALIA NEW ZEALAND

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Welcome



Wild, wide and wonderful, Australia and New Zealand continually excite and inspire. It doesn't matter how many mountains you've climbed or remote island shores you've visited, there's always something new to discover with us.

We offer our respect and gratitude to the First Nations, Torres Strait Islander and Māori custodians who have nurtured the land and its cultures for so many millennia, and who are now some of our most trusted partners in introducing you to this wonderful part of the world.



Welcome Traveler,

I've been fortunate to travel much of Australia and New Zealand, yet I still have a never-ending travel wish list. Tick off the must-dos – Kata Tjuta, Milford Sound – but ensure you delve deeper into these places and meet the incredible people who call them home.

This is exactly what we'll do when you travel with us, and we're thrilled to share the many extraordinary experiences we have on offer. Head into the Outback, dining in the desert, just 150 meters from Uluru, sharing stories with new friends under the stars. Experience the bubbling mud and geysers shooting steam into the sky while you're welcomed at the 'Te Aronui a Rua' meeting house in Rotorua, learning more about Poi and Haka traditions.


Each year, we add **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER**[®] Experiences to our itineraries. Loved by our guests, these experiences provide in-depth insights into communities – those having a positive impact and people who have incredible stories to share. Travel to the lakeside town of Te Anau, where a boat awaits on Lake Manapouri. You'll discover how your cruise supports the Pomona Island Charitable Trust, protecting the islands through community-based conservation projects. These moments may not be the reason you traveled here, but they'll create wonderful memories you'll take back with you, making your adventure truly remarkable.

Explore our expertly crafted tours, full of new experiences and much more. They're proof of how we push boundaries each year, curating the best travel moments for you. As always, it's easy and convenient to travel with us. We have over 100 years of experience, premium coaches, and knowledgeable, friendly Travel Directors and Driver Guides.

Let us take you places!

Sincerely,

Ben Hall
AAT Kings Group | CEO



Uluru sunset,
Northern Territory

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Uluru Sunrise, Northern Territory

First in, best view! It's all about catching the morning light when visiting Uluru. It's simply extraordinary when you see it for yourself for the first time. You'll be in complete awe as you watch the kaleidoscope of colors appear against this monolith.

Experience this on selected Red Centre tours.

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Explore Australia & New

Nitmiluk National Park

Be drawn to the spectacular sandstone country of Nitmiluk National Park and the majestic Nitmiluk Gorge with spectacular cliffs that glow in the changing light.



Uluru

Australia's most sacred Aboriginal site, mighty Uluru stands proud, watching over the Red Centre, its history filled with myth and legend.



The Pinnacles

The lunar-like Pinnacles are thousands of limestone spires, rising eerily out of the desert sands of Nambung National Park



Eyre Peninsula

Blessed with natural beauty Eyre Peninsula features rugged landscapes and beautiful coastline. Enjoy world famous oysters at Coffin Bay in this nature lovers' paradise.



Zealand

The vibrant color and irresistible spirit of Australia can be found everywhere, across its vast plains and mountain ranges, beaches and islands. So many unforgettable moments await you – watch the sun turn golden across waterlily-filled Kakadu billabongs or explore some of the world’s most pristine beaches in Tasmania’s Freycinet.

From glacial-carved gorges to immense lakes, from rainforest-draped national parks to snowy peaks, New Zealand is diverse and dramatic. Cruise in the company of penguins across Milford Sound and immerse yourself in both the beauty and importance of Māori culture.

This is where magical travel moments are made.

Great Barrier Reef

One of the seven natural wonders of the world, to experience the Great Barrier Reef is to explore an underwater paradise of color and life.



Waitomo Caves

Glide through a sparkling underground cave system lit by thousands of glowworms, and tour the incredible limestone caverns.



Waitangi Treaty Grounds

Immerse yourself in the stories, people and history of Aotearoa, before standing on the spot where New Zealand’s founding document was signed.



BRISBANE

● Gold Coast

Hunter Valley

SYDNEY

Blue Mountains

North Island

South Island

Milford Sound/ Piopiotahi

Cruise this multifaceted jewel of magnificent Fiordland, once described as the world’s 8th natural wonder.



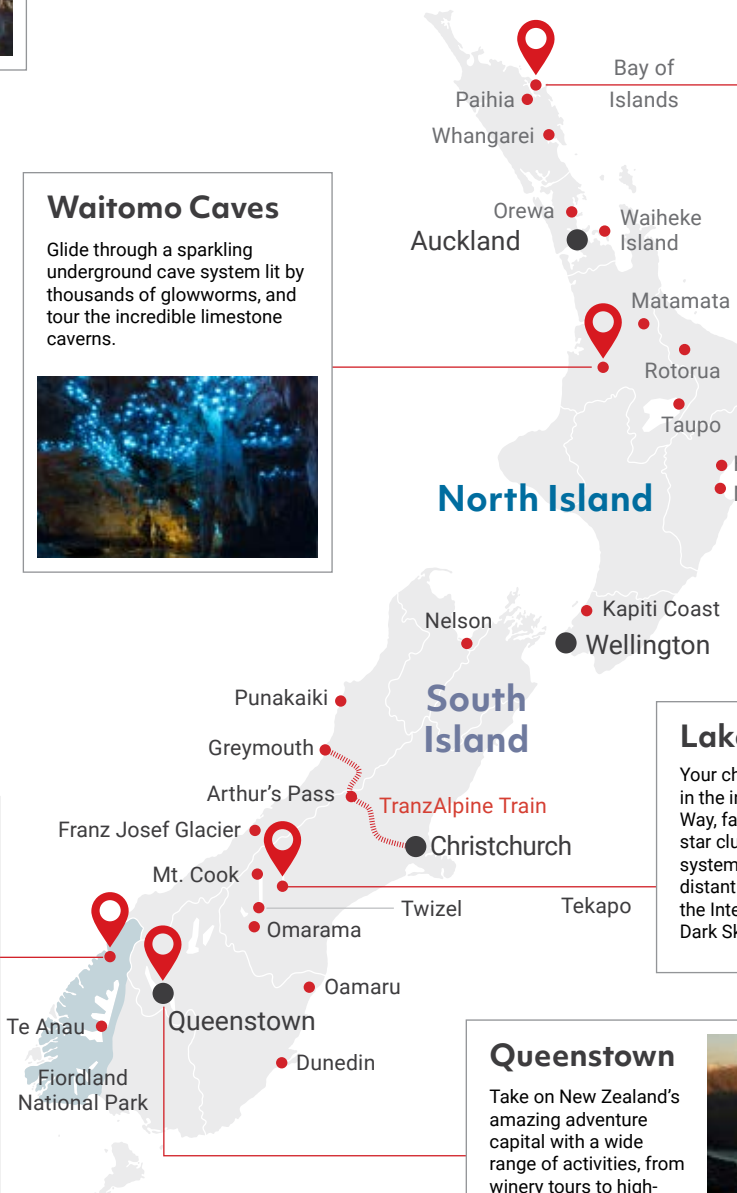
Lake Tekapo

Your chance to take in the incredible Milky Way, far off planets, star clusters, solar systems, and even distant galaxies from the International Dark Sky Reserve.



Queenstown

Take on New Zealand’s amazing adventure capital with a wide range of activities, from winery tours to high-speed thrills!

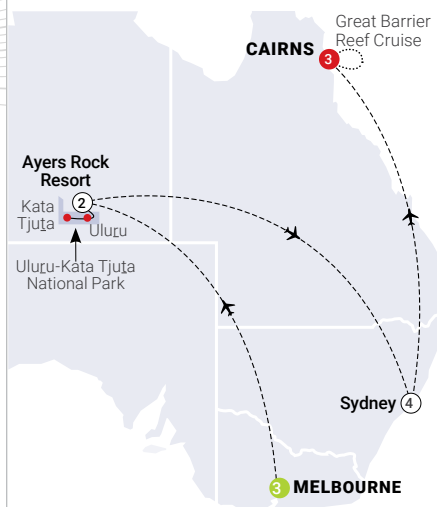


First Choice

Uncover the heart and soul of Australia and New Zealand. Choose from 17 fully curated guided vacations.

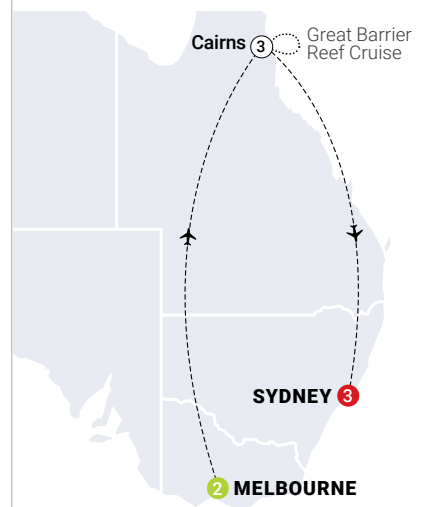
Aboriginal Culture & Australian Highlights

13 DAYS • AMSC • P24



Contrasts of Australia

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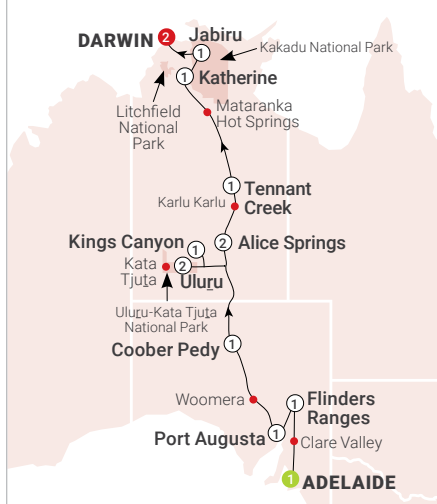
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15 DAYS • NAAD • P36



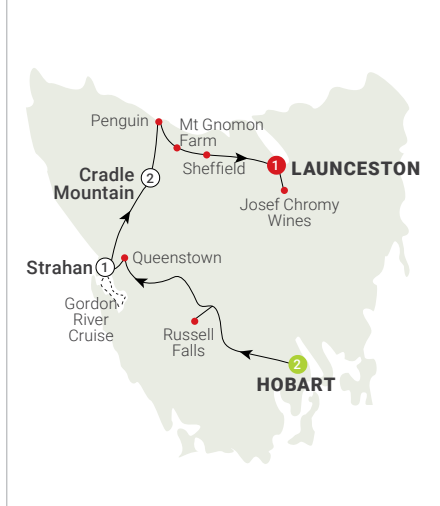
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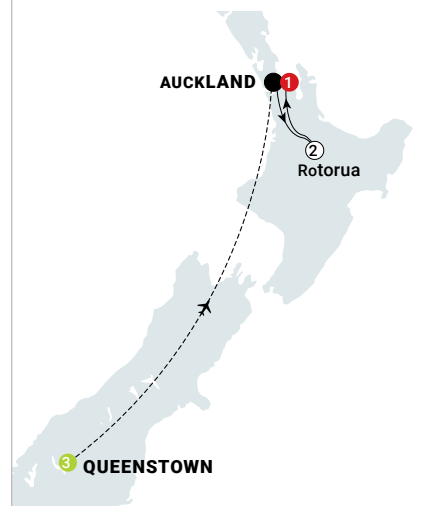
Iconic North

7 DAYS • ZAAW • P48



New Zealand Panorama

7 DAYS • RPACA • P50



Australian Highlights

13 DAYS • IMSE • P28

This itinerary starts in Melbourne (3) and travels to Sydney (3), Cairns (3), and back to Melbourne (3). Key stops include Ayers Rock Resort, Kata Tjuta, Uluru, and the Great Barrier Reef Cruise.

Australia & New Zealand Panorama

15 DAYS • QPACA • P30

This itinerary starts in Melbourne (2), travels to Auckland (1), and returns to Melbourne (2). Key stops include Sydney (3), Queenstown (3), and Rotorua (2). It includes the Great Barrier Reef Cruise.

Contrasts of Australia & New Zealand

18 DAYS • QCANA • P32

This itinerary starts in Melbourne (2), travels to Auckland (2), and returns to Melbourne (2). Key stops include Sydney (3), Rotorua (1), Christchurch, Lake Tekapo (1), and Queenstown (3). It includes the Great Barrier Reef Cruise.

Tastes of Southern Australia

11 DAYS • ESMA • P40

This itinerary starts in Sydney, travels to Adelaide (2), and returns to Sydney. Key stops include Kangaroo Island (2), Naracoorte (1), Melbourne, Warrnambool, and the Great Ocean Road.

Great Ocean Road & Kangaroo Island

7 DAYS • EMKA • P42

This itinerary starts in Melbourne, travels to Adelaide (2), and returns to Melbourne. Key stops include Kangaroo Island (2), Naracoorte (1), and the Great Ocean Road.

Perfect Tasmania

13 DAYS • THLH • P44

This itinerary starts in Hobart, travels around the island, and returns to Hobart. Key stops include Strahan, Queenstown, Triabunna, and Launceston.

Contrasts of New Zealand

10 DAYS • IZANB • P52

This itinerary starts in Auckland (2), travels to Christchurch (2), and returns to Auckland (2). Key stops include Rotorua (1), Lake Tekapo (1), and Queenstown (3).

New Zealand Uncovered

17 DAYS • ZAAC • P54

This itinerary starts in Auckland (2), travels to Dunedin (1), and returns to Auckland (2). Key stops include Christchurch (1), Queenstown (2), and Lake Tekapo.

Southern Spectacular

10 DAYS • ZCQR • P56

This itinerary starts in Christchurch (1), travels to Dunedin (1), and returns to Christchurch (1). Key stops include Queenstown (2), Lake Tekapo, and Franz Josef Glacier.

Best Buys

Travel your way, with 9 flexible itineraries that combine AAT Kings' unrivalled expertise with must-see destinations, optional experiences and free time to explore.



Northern Territory Explorer

11 DAYS • NDAU • P60

DARWIN (Start) ② Jabiru (Sightseeing stops) Kakadu National Park
 ② Burrungkuy (Nourlangie) Yellow Water Billabong
 Katherine ① Mataranka Hot Springs
 Tennant Creek ① Karlu Karlu
AYERS ROCK RESORT ② Alice Springs (Sightseeing stops) Uluru
 Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park

South Australian Outback Adventure

8 DAYS • SAMC • P62

Cooper Pedy ② William Creek (Sightseeing stops) Lake Eyre
 Anna Creek Painted Hills Flight
 Lyndhurst Ochre Cliffs ① Marree
 Arkaroola ① Lake Frome
 Ikara-Flinders Ranges National Park
 Port Augusta ① Wilpena Pound
 Clare Valley
 The Barossa ①
ADELAIDE (End)

Remarkable Adelaide to Kangaroo Island

5 DAYS • SAKI • P64

ADELAIDE (Start) ①
 Kingscote, Kangaroo Island ②
 Kangaroo Island Brewery
 Emu Bay Lavender Farm
 Cape Jervis
 Penneshaw ①
 Flinders Chase National Park
 Seal Bay
 Emu Ridge Eucalyptus Distillery

South Australian Eyre Peninsula Escape

7 DAYS • SAEP • P65

Ceduna ① Smoky Bay
 Whistling Rocks
 Streaky Bay ① Pildappa Rock
 Talia Caves
 Kimba
 Port Augusta ① Lucky Bay
 Wallaroo Jetty
 Port Lincoln ② Coffin Bay
 Bumbunga Pink Lake
 Clare Valley
ADELAIDE (End)

Tropical Queensland: Gold Coast to Cairns

10 DAYS • QGCC/QCGC • P66

Kuranda
 Cairns ③ Great Barrier Reef Cruise
 Magnetic Island ②
 Townsville
 Airlie Beach ② Whitsunday Islands
GOLD COAST (End) ②

Spirit of New Zealand

21 DAYS • LCQB • P68

Bay of Islands ② Paihia Whangarei
AUCKLAND ① Rotorua ②
 Huka Falls Lake Taupō
 Napier ②
 Picton
 Franz Josef Glacier
 Buller Gorge
 Nelson ① Wellington ②
 Punakaiki ① Hokitika
 Haast ①
CHRISTCHURCH ①
 Omarama ① Oamaru
 Queenstown ② Dunedin ①
 Invercargill ② Stewart Island

Kia Ora New Zealand

17 DAYS • LABC/LCBA • P70

Bay of Islands ② Paihia
AUCKLAND ① Rotorua ②
 Waitomo Caves
 Lake Taupō
 Huka Falls
 Mt. Ruapehu
 Picton ① Wellington ②
 Franz Josef Glacier
 Arthur's Pass
 Kaikōura
 TranzAlpine Train
 Hokitika
CHRISTCHURCH ①
 Haast ①
 Omarama ①
 Milford Sound ② Queenstown ②
 Oamaru
 Te Anau ① Dunedin ①

New Zealand Marvel

14 DAYS • LCCA/LAAC • P72

AUCKLAND ① Rotorua ②
 Waitomo Caves
 Lake Taupō
 Huka Falls
 Mt. Ruapehu
 Picton ① Wellington ②
 Franz Josef Glacier
 Arthur's Pass
 Kaikōura
 TranzAlpine Train
 Hokitika
CHRISTCHURCH ①
 Haast ①
 Omarama ①
 Milford Sound ② Queenstown ②
 Oamaru
 Te Anau ① Dunedin ①

Southern Spotlight

9 DAYS • LCQR/LRQC • P74

Arthur's Pass
 Hokitika
 TranzAlpine Train
CHRISTCHURCH ①
 Franz Josef Glacier ①
 Haast
 Thunder Creek Falls
 Omarama ①
 Milford Sound
 Cromwell
 Arrowtown
 Queenstown ② Oamaru
 Te Anau ①
 Dunedin ①
 Mirror Lakes

100+ Years of Adventure and many more to come

A century ago, the Australian outback was but a twinkle in most travelers' eyes. But thanks to visionaries like the Pyke family and Bill King, how we explore the Land Down Under was about to change in unimaginable ways. Over the coming decades, maps were unfolded, desert cruisers and coaches were customized, and guides were trained. From humble beginnings, together we traveled to places few had gone before, pioneering new paths across Australia and New Zealand and taking intrepid domestic and international travelers on a wild and wonderful ride.

We've come a long way since then and clocked a few kilometers in the process. But some things will never change. Like our spirit for adventure, our oh-so-knowledgeable and passionate Travel Directors and Driver Guides, and the life-changing experiences we offer – the kind that only 100 years of exploring affords.

Join us on a fully immersive off-the-beaten-track adventure!

"Keep doing what you're doing, but try and do it better" – Bill King



“ Marty was fantastic, possibly the best guide we have ever had in our vast travels. Bus was comfortable and great driver. Travel group size was perfect. Accommodations, meals and experiences all excellent.

Christine B – Feefo ★★★★★ ”

1920s

AAT Kings can be traced back to George Page's modest transport service from Melbourne to Brisbane.

1930s

The Pike family introduced Sydney to Katoomba.

1960s

Bill King decided there was a real future with off-the-beaten-track journeys – Bill purchased two Land Rovers, an ex-army international ambulance and a Denning Bus and launched Bill King's Northern Safaris.

1970s

Bill designed and built his own 18 passenger vehicles and called them Desert Cruisers. AAT Coachlines had commenced operations in the Northern Territory.

1980s

AAT Coachlines purchased Bill King's Northern Safaris and operated as Bill King's Australian Adventure Tours.

1984

AAT Kings brand formed.

1997

AAT Kings joined The Travel Corporation Family of Brands.

1999

AAT Kings began operations in New Zealand.

2010

Small group immersive Inspiring Journeys brand was born.

2018

Down Under Tours joined the AAT Kings Group.

2019

SEIT Outback Australia joined the AAT Kings Group.



Our People

People are so important on every tour, and you'll be guided by our best. Our experienced Travel Directors and Drivers go above and beyond at every step with the full support of a 24/7 team behind the scenes - ensuring your adventure is seamless. Our dedicated individuals truly love what they do; sharing these beautiful locations, telling the tales of icons, and ensuring you spot the hidden gems you may unknowingly walk right past. Our people are our heroes, and we know they'll become yours too.



Marty (above)

New Zealand Travel Director

"Kia Ora! It has been such a pleasure showcasing New Zealand to our guests for over twenty years as a Travel Director. I enjoy sharing enriching travel experiences within our exceptionally varied landscapes, immersing our guests in our unique, vibrant Māori culture, and adding exciting adventures along the way. I love being a part of their journey of discovery and providing the very best New Zealand has to offer, with new friendships and amazing shared experiences."

Glennon (left)

Northern Territory Travel Director

"My journey to becoming a Travel Director with AAT Kings is deeply rooted in my family's history and connecting with my ancestors here in the Red Centre. Traveling from my home, the Tiwi Islands, I've had the chance to not only explore this country but also to share these destinations with visitors from around the world."

Come join us, and discover these locations for yourself, through the eyes of those who live here and know it best."

Amazing Experiences

For a century, guests have entrusted us to help them explore almost every corner of the Antipodes. And over the years, we've met a few characters along the way. These enduring friendships between our amazing people and the locals we visit help us craft expert and authentic travel experiences. Moments that will make you feel fully immersed, with real people, in locations you likely never knew even existed.

Here are some of our favorites, but there is so much more to discover.





An Outback barbecue right next to Uluru, NT

Sunset with wine, good conversation and of course Uluru in full view. Opportunities like this are one in a million, similar to the stars shining up above as you enjoy an Outback barbecue in a casual atmosphere. As Uluru's shadow fades away leaving only a dark silhouette, you'll discover the Milky Way, and the constellations of the desert night sky.



Churn things up on a dairy farm in Waikato, NZ

The Waikato countryside, 150 kilometers south of Auckland, is the stuff of postcards. It's particularly pretty at the Red Barn, a fully functioning dairy farm where you'll not only meet the gorgeous wide-eyed cows, but also try your hand at churning butter – then spread it thick on freshly baked bread before sitting down to a paddock-to-plate, country-style lunch.



Forage for botanicals at Wild Yarnbala, SA

A hidden sanctuary of tranquillity awaits in this secluded area of critically endangered bushland. Embrace your wild side searching for bush foods while learning about the Slater family's dedication and passion for nature. Later, enjoy a didgeridoo lap-steel guitar performance as your foraged natives infuse in your glass of Coffin Bay Gin.

Amazing Experiences

Protecting secluded islands as you cruise NZ's loveliest lake

Travel to the lakeside town of Te Anau, where a jet boat awaits on Lake Manapouri. Your exhilarating ride supports the restoration and conservation of Pomona and Rona Islands, plant and animal sanctuaries for many threatened species. This **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER**® Experience contributes to the Pomona Island Charitable Trust, which monitors birdlife, actively enhances bird populations, and protects the islands through community-based conservation projects.



Dot painting in the desert with working artists, NT

Approximately 900 Anangu artists make up the collective that is Maruku Arts. Join them, learn their world-renowned craft, and understand the deep and spiritual connection they have with this land. Create a masterpiece of your own, using their storytelling techniques on this **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER**® Experience, which supports Maruku Arts in preserving and protecting their traditions.

MAKE TRAVEL MATTER

Discover your destination through the kindness of the locals, learning directly from those who give back to their community.

Simply enjoy special and unique moments on your vacation, connecting with our partners, visiting those who run initiatives, and those supporting local and traditional cultures.

Have a positive impact while you travel. Look for the **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER**® Experience seal on your tour.

MAKE TRAVEL MATTER
EXPERIENCE



MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experiences are conscious travel experiences assessed against a robust set of criteria using a proprietary assessment tool endorsed by industry experts and developed exclusively for The Travel Corporation's (TTC) family of brands.

To find out more visit
aatkins.com/make-travel-matter



Afternoon tea with the Taylors, NZ

On the shores of Lake Tekapo, you'll meet a cooking legend, a local who's known for her heavenly pavlova. You'll sample this sweet treat, watching it made with care by Angie herself. Enjoy a cuppa and a slice of freshly made pavlova while Stan shares stories of a lifetime spent farming in the Southern Alps.



Outback Opal in Coober Pedy, SA

Visit the lunar landscapes of Coober Pedy, known as 'the opal capital of the world', for a quintessential outback experience. Like most of the underground-living population, you'll stay at a hotel built into a rocky hillside at the heart of this quirky town. Learn more about the region's history at the Big Winch 360°, a 'circle vision' cinematic experience that envelops you as you take a journey along South Australia's Explorer's Way.



Disconnect from technology at Iron Creek Bay Farm Estate, TAS

Expect seclusion and style while staying on this working farm in Sorell. Pick and sample fruits while you wander through the 70 hectares of orchards growing cherries, apricots, apples, and grapes. Or enjoy a relaxing evening overlooking the vineyard, hearing the farm animals in the distance before dinner. Home-grown Tassie produce doesn't get much better than this!



Stories shared at Pounamu Pathway, NZ

Māwhera Pā is the ancestral home of Poutini Ngāi Tahu. Listen as you discover their stories in this immersive experience – tales of giants, warriors, trade, and treasure. Learn about pounamu and the significance of greenstone, a stone with a long history and a sacred material that holds 'mana' (spiritual power).

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independent & transparent satisfaction rating

“We were treated like royalty what else can I say.

Antoinette J ★★★★★ ”

“Excellent, safe driving, very competent driver. Great tour guide couldn't fault anything or anyone.

Janice E ★★★★★ ”



“Well organized,

very informative, friendly tour guide & safe driving bus driver. Good Accommodations & buffets, nice organized dinners. We got to see both islands & their most popular attractions in the 2 weeks. The add-on experiences were terrific!

Angela H ★★★★★ ”



TREADRIGHT®

FOUNDATION

TreadRight.org



The TreadRight Foundation was established more than 15 years ago and since then has supported over 60 sustainable tourism projects worldwide. Their mission is clear; to have a positive impact on:

PEOPLE
SUPPORTING COMMUNITIES & CULTURES

PLANET
SUSTAINABILITY & CONSERVATION

WILDLIFE
PROTECTION & AWARENESS

Through our not-for-profit TreadRight Foundation, of which AAT Kings is a founding member, and our sustainability strategy, How We Tread Right, we're addressing the impact of our operations and trips. We're committed to reaching net zero greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions across our value chain by 2050 from a 2019 baseline year, with a primary focus to decarbonize. To do this, we have launched a four-point Climate Action Plan as well as a Carbon Fund dedicated to financing initiatives to reduce the carbon emissions of our business. You can read more about our plans to Measure, Reduce, Restore and Evolve at [impact.ttc.com](https://www.impact.ttc.com).

Global Tour *Rewards*

At AAT Kings, we're proud of our service and experience, revealing the wonders and characters of Australia and New Zealand to guests for more than 100 years. We're even prouder to be part of a much bigger family of brands, The Travel Corporation (TTC), which enjoys a global reach and a portfolio that includes some of the world's most prestigious travel brands – from boutique river cruises to independent vacation package companies and guided travel experiences. The collection is diverse, but we all share standards of excellence and common goals: to offer outstanding service and experiences, whichever corner of the planet our guests choose to roam.

The loyalty of our past guests means everything to us. That's why everyone who travels with us is automatically enrolled in our **Global Tour Rewards** program, with access to exclusive past guest savings and offers on all AAT Kings tours and Inspiring Journeys itineraries, as well as tours from TTC family of brands (Trafalgar, Luxury Gold, Insight Vacations, Brendan Vacations, Cost saver, and Contiki). Use your benefits on more than 1,000 tours around the globe designed for every taste, place, and pace.

Whichever adventure awaits you, know that your expertly crafted vacation is curated to ensure you have the very best experiences and priceless travel moments.

5% off with Global Tour Rewards*

If you've traveled with AAT Kings before (or any of the TTC family of brands) on a Guided Vacation, let us know at the time of booking.

Second Vacation Discount

When booking two Guided Vacations 7 days or more, at the same time you'll automatically have access to a **2.5% discount*** to the tour with the lowest price. Plus, when you book a Guided Vacation you'll get up to **10% off Day Tours*** to complement the start or end of your trip.

*Visit aatkings.com/special-offers for full terms and conditions.



Discover all offers and ways you can save by contacting your travel agent, our experts, or by visiting our website.



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DOWN UNDER TOURS.

Inspiring Journeys

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Travel Your Way

No two travelers are ever the same. Which means that with AAT Kings, neither are any two tours. We understand that sometimes you want to switch off and enjoy the scenery. With your itinerary, accommodations and exclusive experiences are all sorted 'behind the scenes'. Other journeys require the essentials covered and insider tips provided, but need built-in flexibility so you can go your own way. Whether you have a couple of weeks or a couple of hours, whether you want to leave everything to us or customize parts of your journey, AAT Kings offers a travel style for every kind of traveler. And regardless of the tour you choose, you'll leave a minimal footprint, connect with culture and support the local communities you visit.

First Choice Guided Vacations

For explorers who want:

- Exclusive experiences and adventures around Australia and New Zealand
- More inclusions and meals
- Everything taken care of by talented Travel Directors

There's nothing quite like setting off to see Australia and New Zealand, knowing that each wild encounter, all your accommodations – and everything in between – has been taken care of by your Travel Director, guides and the team of supporting experts. All you need to do is relax, make lasting connections and delve into the country's culture. This is about going to wild places, with creature comforts.



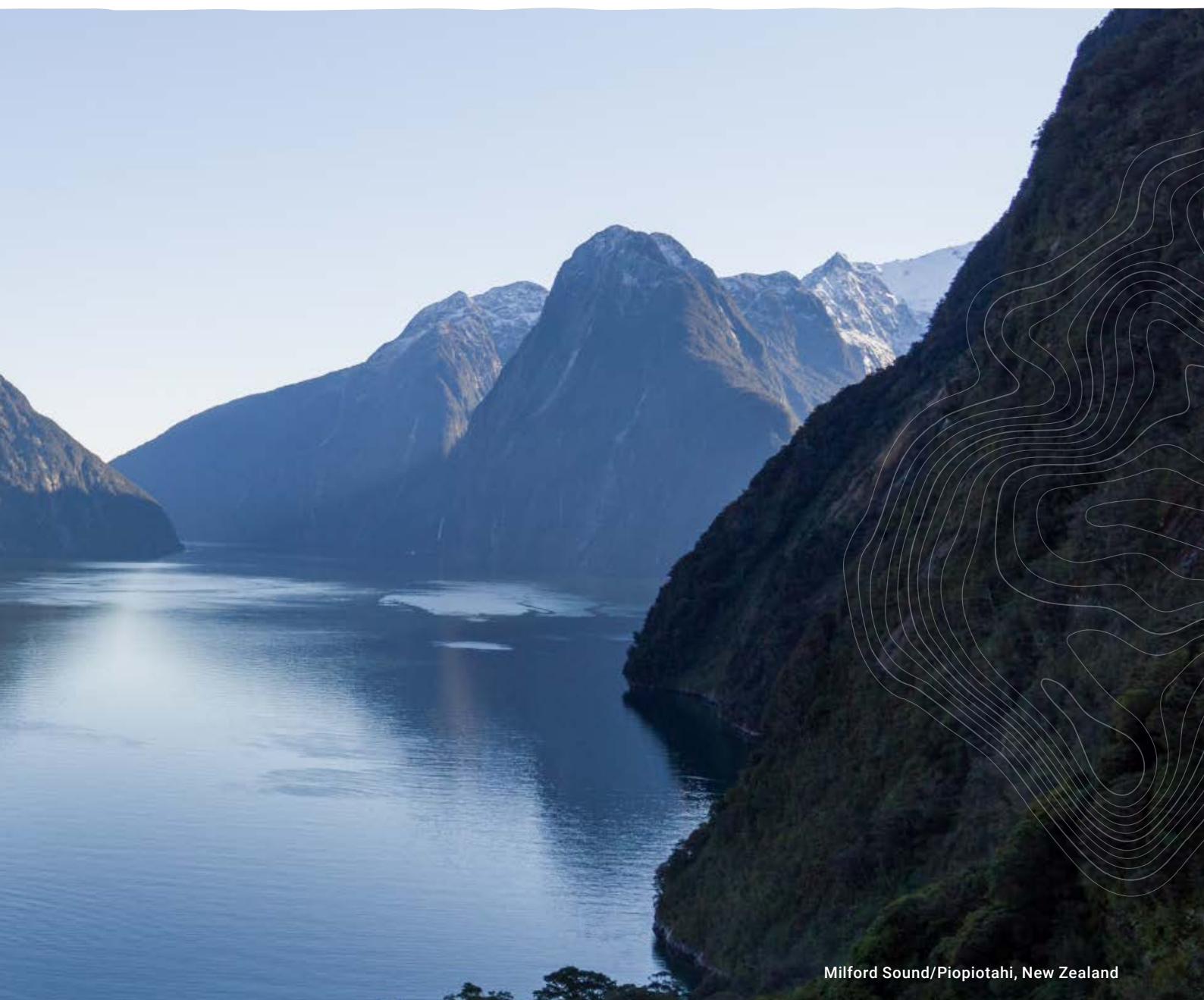
Best Buys Guided Vacations

For explorers who want:

- A flexible vacation with some inclusions, and some independent travel
- All the essentials managed by in-the-know Travel Directors

Take a fully curated vacation, add in a good dose of flexibility, and you arrive at this travel style, designed for those who like travel fundamentals taken care of – the transportation, accommodations – but also like the option of exploring independently, with tips from knowledgeable Travel Directors to point you in the right direction if needed.





Milford Sound/Piopiotahi, New Zealand

Short Breaks

For explorers who want:

- To see Australia, but don't have weeks to spare
- A seamless travel experience to take in as much as possible in a short space of time

When you have a week or less to dive into thundering waterfalls, snorkel the world's biggest reef or dine under a carpet of stars at Uluru, this travel style is for you. Your journey unites everything that's great about AAT Kings – the cultural connections, insider knowledge, wondrous sights – and condenses it into a fully curated, blissfully efficient, bite-sized package.



Day Tours

For explorers who:

- Have a few hours and want life-changing experiences packed in

A century ago, AAT Kings became an Australian pioneer in day tripping, taking adventurous explorers where few others had gone before. We know this space well, and our Driver Guides have every connection to make your day of adventure – whether around the Red Centre or Tiwi Islands – as meaningful as possible. Why spend a day watching TV, when you can forge a memory for a lifetime?



First Choice

Captivating Vacations, Premium Inclusions

For explorers who want to visit wild places with creature comforts, a First Choice Guided Vacation delivers exclusive experiences and quality accommodations around Australia and New Zealand, with everything taken care of by your Travel Director so you can relax and enjoy the adventure.



Local Connection

Experience your destination authentically through stories, hearing from our expert Travel Directors and Be My Guest hosts. Led by local people, gain a deeper connection to these extraordinary places, hearing from those who call it home.

Cultural Immersion

Discover the ancient and spiritual sites of some of the world's oldest cultures, learn why these locations are so significant, their history, and their uniqueness in contrast to the rest of the world.

Make Travel Matter

We've been exploring these destinations for over 100 years and hope to do so for many more to come. Look for our immersive **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER**® Experiences, which support communities and encourage environmental conservation.

World Class Nature

Wide and wonderful, these glorious natural wonders and wilderness areas are abundant with distinct native animals, exclusive to these delicate environments. Venture to places you never knew existed and be in awe of this diverse landscape.

What's included on a First Choice Vacation?

- The services of a highly experienced Travel Director
- All accommodations in premium hotels, lodges and eco-resorts
- Exclusive Be My Guest experiences
- Most meals including daily breakfasts
- Wine with all included dinners
- More 2 night stays with later starts
- Cultural activities in your destinations
- Community engagement activities
- Travel in purpose-built air-conditioned coaches with reclining seats, and WiFi where available
- All National Park Entrance Fees
- Transfers and taxes

Aboriginal Culture & Australian Highlights

Highlights

Local Connection

Aunty Margret is a Sydney legend, pioneering Indigenous tourism around the city. Discover Aboriginal sites and stories on one of her Dreamtime Southern X tours.

Cultural Immersion

Whether at sunrise or sunset, the beauty of Uluru is mesmerizing. Aboriginal creatives at Maruku Arts capture it in their paintings and will show you how to do the same.

Make Travel Matter

Big Esso not only crafts menus using sustainably grown native produce, but also supports Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander growers, makers, bakers and brewers.

World Class Nature

Take a deep dive (literally) into the Aboriginal stories behind the creation of the Great Barrier Reef with Dreamtime Dive & Snorkel from Cairns.

1 Welcome to Melbourne

Arrive early in Australia's cultural capital to explore art-filled laneways, galleries and boutiques at your own pace. Melbourne is also Australia's food capital – we have something special planned for your Welcome Dinner. **Hotel: InterContinental, 3 nights. D**

2 Melbourne Sightseeing

Australia's Aboriginal culture spans oceans, rivers, rainforest, outback and cities, as you'll discover with Koorie Heritage Trust. From the organisation's base at Federation Square, explore Melbourne with a First Nation's guide along the banks of the Yarra River, a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience. It's only a few steps to Big Esso by Mabu Mabu, a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience, celebrating contemporary Torres Strait Islander culture through cuisine. The menu is an explosion of native Australian bush flavors, from finger lime to quandong, with a drinks list that heroes Indigenous-owned businesses – their art also decorates the walls. More awaits at the Ian Potter Centre (NGV) in Federation Square, which hosts one of Australia's most significant collections of art from First Nations Creatives. **B L**

3 Melbourne Free Time

Take the pulse of Melbourne in your own time. Need touring suggestions? Your Travel Director can assist. You might choose to stay in the heart of the city exploring the Royal Botanic Gardens with an Aboriginal guide. Or for a bird's-eye view, zip to the Melbourne Eureka Skydeck – it's the highest of its kind in the Southern Hemisphere. While it's tempting to linger, a bevy of attractions await on the outskirts of the city, including the Great Ocean Road. Spending a day driving this World Heritage-listed route is a rite of passage, uniting surf, seaside towns and wilderness walks. You might choose to head to the other side of the bay – Phillip Island is a mecca for wildlife, including penguins that waddle from the ocean to their sandy burrows every evening. **B**

4 Melbourne – Uluru

Uluru-Kata Tjuta is World Heritage-listed for a reason. Explore spiritual landscapes that are sacred to the Anangu; your Tour Director on the Kuniya walk to Mutitjulu Waterhole will point

out rock art and bush foods. The ultimate way to end the day is watching the sinking sun paint the outback all manner of fiery hues – flute of bubbles in hand. This is your backdrop for an exclusive Barbecue dinner. **Hotel: Desert Gardens, 2 nights. B D**

5 Uluru Sightseeing & Free Time

The outback inspires creativity, as you'll discover meeting Aboriginal artists and sculptors at Maruku Arts, a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience. Their works capture the drama of Australia, and they'll show you how to do the same during an art class. Spend the afternoon visiting the Gallery of Central Australia (GOCA), spotlighting ethically sourced Aboriginal art. Or, take to the sky on a scenic flight (own expense). Back at ground level, wander into Walpa Gorge, then say cheers to a Kata Tjuta sunset with a glass of bubbles. **B**

6 Uluru – Sydney

50,000 – that's the number of lights that artist Bruce Munro used to create his alfresco artwork, Field of Light. This blanket of bulbs casts a surreal glow over the Uluru countryside, and is particularly beguiling on a sunrise visit. Tonight, is yours to explore Sydney. We have a little black book of hot restaurants to try if you need tips. **Hotel: Sofitel Sydney Wentworth, 4 nights. B**

7 Sydney Sightseeing

Bring your stamina for an action-packed day exploring the Harbour City, including a guided tour of the Opera House. It sits on land belonging to the Eora Nation, as you'll discover when you meet your Aboriginal Guide of Dreamtime Southern X on a walking tour around the Rocks district. Swap the shore for the water on an expedition to explore Sydney from the water on a harbor cruise. **B**

8 Sydney Free Time

Go your own way or ask your Travel Director to assist booking tours like the BridgeClimb, which sees you scale the Sydney Harbour Bridge accompanied by a local guide. Or spend the day with an AAT Kings guide in the Blue Mountains. You don't need to go far to have an adventure, as you'll discover on Dave's Rocks Pub Tour, taking you to some of the city's most historic drinking establishments. **B**



Dreamtime Southern X, Sydney



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13 DAYS

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2025		2025	2026
Feb	20	Oct	09
Mar	20	Feb	19
		Mar	05, 19

Dining

12 Breakfasts B
2 Lunches L

4 Dinners D

Flight Information

Day 1: Flights to arrive prior to 12 noon into Melbourne Airport
Day 13: Flights to depart anytime from Cairns Airport

Tour price includes internal-vacation airfares.

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9 Sydney Free Time

What's better than one free day to explore Sydney at your leisure? A second free day. We wouldn't blame you for spending hours strolling the sand at Bondi Beach or catching the ferry across the harbor to Manly or choosing another optional experience. **B D**

10 Sydney – Cairns

After your morning flight from Sydney, spend your free afternoon soaking up the steamy climes of Cairns. Explore the vibrant esplanade or opt for an Indigenous-owned cruise by Mandingalbay Tours. **Hotel: Crystalbrook Flynn, 3 nights. B**

11 Great Barrier Reef

Dreamtime Dive & Snorkel's catamaran tours tell the story of the Great Barrier Reef through First Nations' eyes. The company's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander sea rangers regale you with 65,000-year-old Dreamtime creation stories, a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience, while you cruise to Moore Reef; here, slip into warm water to flipper among some of the 1,500 species of fish. **B L**

12 Cairns Free Time

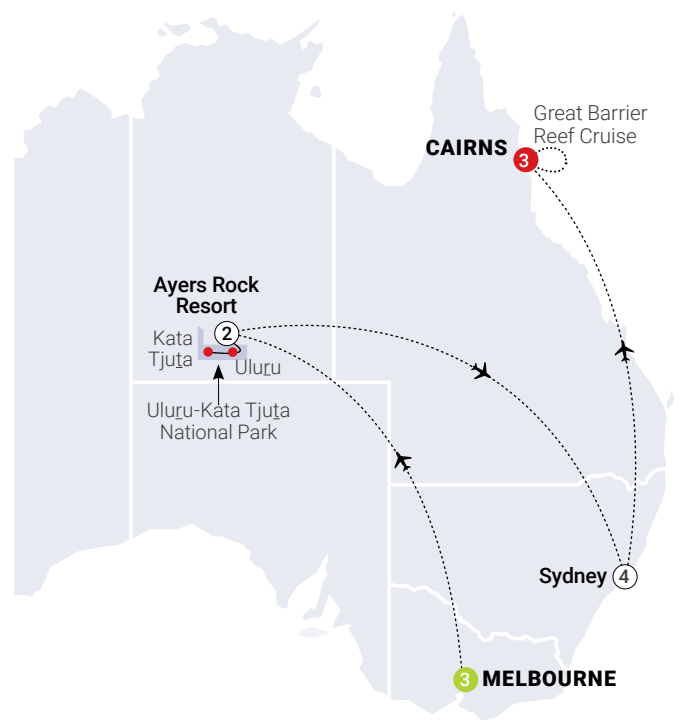
Spend your free day soaking up the sights of Tropical North Queensland, perhaps joining a tour to catch the Skyrail Rainforest Cableway and Kuranda Scenic Railway deep into the rainforest. Or maybe on an Outback Tasting Adventure, uniting distillers, brewers, cheesemongers and farmers. You may opt to discover native bush tucker on a Cape Tribulation, Mossman & Daintree tour, taking you through one of the world's oldest rainforests. End your wild adventure with a Farewell Dinner at Ochre Restaurant on the Cairns waterfront. **B D**

13 Farewell from Cairns

You'll not only depart Cairns a more seasoned traveler, but also a more thoughtful one. And don't be surprised if you leave with a posse of new friends – Australia's Aboriginal guides are as generous with their stories as they are with their time. **B**



- **START**
- **END**
- ① Number of night stays
- Sightseeing stops



Contrasts of Australia

Highlights

📍 Local Connection

Discover what lies within the Sydney Opera House on a guided tour. Uncover its fascinating history and architecture.

🏛️ Cultural Immersion

Melbourne's laneways are a work of art, with street murals, hidden bars, boutiques, and cafés. We'll show you where to look.

🌱 Make Travel Matter

Make a positive impact while you learn about Koorie peoples, cultures, and communities at the Koorie Heritage Trust Gallery.

🌍 World Class Nature

It doesn't matter how many times you splash about in the Coral Sea, the Great Barrier Reef never fails to impress. There are too many world records being broken here to mention.



1 Welcome to Melbourne

Settle into your hotel on the banks of the Yarra River and meet your Travel Director for a Welcome Reception and dinner at the South Wharf riverside pub, The General Assembly restaurant. It's a great opportunity to get to know everyone in a unique setting. **Hotel: Crowne Plaza, 2 nights. D**

2 Melbourne Sightseeing

Get out and see the sights today on a guided walk with your Travel Director discovering the little lanes, arcades, and café society of stylish Melbourne. Gaze up at the beautiful Victorian façades lining grand boulevards. Stroll past famous, edgy street art that shows a stylish contrast to federation buildings and churches as Melbourne's coffee aroma wafts overhead. Discover more of Melbourne over a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience tour and walk at Koorie Heritage Trust Gallery. Make a positive impact while you learn about Koorie peoples, cultures and communities. **B**

3 Melbourne – Cairns

Go from city to tropics today as you fly north to Cairns, Queensland. On arrival join a private wildlife boat cruise at Hartley's Crocodile Adventures. There will be time to help regenerate the rainforest particular to the Wangetti Valley in which Hartley's is located. Feel free to join in as much or as little as you wish with this tree planting project and be a part of keeping the World Heritage listed Wet Tropics alive. **Hotel: Hilton, 3 nights. B**

4 Great Barrier Reef

Get ready for an experience of a lifetime - board a high-speed catamaran and cruise out to the Great Barrier Reef. You can snorkel and view this natural living wonder up close (equipment provided) or stay dry and explore the stunning reef from the comfort of a semi-submersible craft, just one metre underwater. On board you'll be treated to a buffet lunch before you cruise back to Cairns. **B L**

5 Cairns Free Time

Today is a free day to do as you choose. A great option is the Skyrail Rainforest Cableway to Kuranda. Be amazed as you travel over and through World Heritage rainforest, explore quaint Kuranda village and later board the historic Kuranda Scenic Railway for the return journey

(own expense). If you'd prefer to spend the day relaxing by your hotel pool or sitting back at a local café you can do that too! In the evening meet up with your travelling companions for a dining experience at Ochre Restaurant. **B D**

6 Cairns – Sydney

Following a leisurely start to the morning it's time to switch the tropical vibes back to city highlights as you fly to Sydney. Check into your centrally located hotel and spend the rest of the day and evening exploring as you wish. Ask your Travel Director for sightseeing and dinner suggestions. **Sofitel Sydney Wentworth, 3 nights. B**

7 Sydney Sightseeing

There are legendary Sydney sights, and then there's the Sydney Opera House – this dramatic building is the reason the word 'icon' was made. Go on a guided tour of the shell-shaped structure, then see it from the outside on a sightseeing harbor cruise, also sailing past Circular Quay, Shark Island, jaw-dropping mansions, beaches and parks. Oh, and you'll get to glide under the Sydney Harbour Bridge. You'll want to toast your good fortune. Thankfully, we have planned a Be My Guest afternoon of wine tasting at Sydney's Urban Winery. Cheers to that! **B**

8 Sydney Free Time

The day is a free day to explore at your leisure or book one of our hand crafted selection of optional activities. There are so many sights and experiences to be had in this city and further afield. You might choose to visit the Three Sisters in the Blue Mountains, for fresh mountain air and stunning scenery. Or get your adrenaline racing with a thrilling climb up (and over) the Sydney Harbour Bridge (both own expense). This evening you can share your stories of your day with your fellow travellers at your Farewell Dinner. **D**

9 Farewell from Sydney

All good things must come to an end. Fill up on your last breakfast before bidding farewell to your fellow travel companions. **B**



Sydney Harbour



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9 DAYS

Departure Dates

2024-25 Season		2025-26 Season	
2024		2025	2026
Nov 28		Apr 10	Jan 08, 15, 22, 29
2025		May 08	Feb 05, 12, 19
Jan 16, 30		Jun 26	Mar 05, 12, 19, 26
Mar 06, 20		Aug 28	
		Sep 25	
		Oct 09	
		Nov 06, 20, 27	
		Dec 04, 11	

Dining

8 Breakfasts B
1 Lunch L

3 Dinners D

Flight Information

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Day 9: Flights to depart anytime from Sydney Airport

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Great Barrier Reef



Melbourne laneway



● START

● END

① Number of night stays

● Sightseeing stops



Australian Highlights

Highlights

📍 Local Connection

Whether you're exploring vibrant city streets (think, Melbourne's art-filled alleys) or remote reaches of the Northern Territory under a blaze of stars, you'll be wowed by local knowledge.

🏛️ Cultural Immersion

The Sydney Opera House is the stuff of postcards. You get to tour with an expert who not only reveals architectural highlights, but also performance secrets.

🗺️ Make Travel Matter

Learn about Aboriginal culture of Central Australia and hear stories of the Anangu.

🌊 World Class Nature

The only living organism you can see from outer space, the Great Barrier Reef is among the world's most important, and biodiverse, ecosystems. Dive under the surface and see for yourself.



1 Welcome to Melbourne

Settle into your hotel on the banks of the Yarra River and meet your Travel Director for a welcome reception and dinner at the South Wharf riverside pub, The General Assembly restaurant. **Hotel: Crowne Plaza, 3 nights. D**

2 Melbourne Sightseeing and Free Time

Join your Travel Director for a city sights tour that includes a walk through Melbourne's famous hidden laneways. You'll discover the city's eclectic little lanes, arcades, café society and fascinating street art. There's time afterwards to explore the city on your own; perhaps enjoy an optional experience to the Penguin Parade (own expense). **B**

3 Melbourne Free Time

If you're still getting your Melbourne bearings, linger in town to explore boutiques, galleries, and eclectic suburbs. Or, perhaps exploring the city on foot with a History and Donuts Walking Tour is more your thing. But if it's time to venture further afield, you might want to sign up to discover the Great Ocean Road, a stretch of coastline that deserves its reputation as one of the most scenic touring routes in the world. **B**

4 Melbourne – Uluru

The rusty red landscapes of Uluru beckon as you leave Melbourne for Ayers Rock Resort, your backdrop this afternoon is the world's largest rock monolith. Follow your guide to the perfect perch to capture Uluru as the last of the day disappears, glass of bubbles in hand (of course). **Hotel: Desert Gardens, 2 nights. B**

5 Uluru and Kata Tjuta

The only reason to get out of bed before dawn? For a magical Uluru sunrise. It's a spiritual place, with stories of the Anangu, caretakers of this remote arid landscape revealed while you tour the base. Later, at a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience, an Anangu artist will explain just what makes it so spiritual over an introduction to Western Desert art, introducing totems and symbols important to the region and represented in paintings and installations. The red desert follows you to Kata Tjuta, where nature humbles as you walk through the towering domes of this ancient rock formation. Cheers to the end of another amazing day. **B**

6 Uluru - Cairns

The only reason to get up before dawn on your last day in Uluru is to glimpse the kaleidoscopic Field of Light art installation of artist Bruce Munro on an Optional Experience. 50,000 glowing spindles of light blanketing the desert. Clamber to the top of a sand dune to marvel in the morning unfolding over this very special part of the world. Head to your next stop in tropical Cairns. **Hotel: Hilton, 3 nights. B**

7 Cairns Free Time

Cruising with crocs, a scenic railway ride into World Heritage listed rainforest, a wander along the Cairns Esplanade? Today the choice is yours. Celebrate the end of an incredible day at dinner on Cairns' waterfront at Salt House for regional seafood plucked straight from the ocean, highlighting fresh, local ingredients, and prepared on their custom-built Argentinian wood fired grill. **B D**

8 Great Barrier Reef

The world's largest living organism, the Great Barrier Reef, never fails to dazzle. Set out on a catamaran to explore a kaleidoscope of color. Strap on a snorkel or visit an underwater observatory and semi-submersible craft to take in the menagerie without getting your hair wet. A tropical buffet lunch is served onboard before you return to Cairns. **B L**

9 Cairns - Sydney

Touch down in Australia's largest city, and spend time at leisure in the buzzing metropolis of Sydney. Take a stroll along the iconic harbor, visit one of the city's many bars, pubs, or restaurants, or simply while away the afternoon at the beach. **Hotel: InterContinental, 4 nights. B**

10 Sydney

Bring your stamina: today is one of innumerable highlights. Go on a tour of the Sydney Opera House, discovering its architectural and performance secrets. If these sails could talk. Then see the city from the water on a Sydney Harbour Highlight Lunch Cruise, enjoying a menu focusing on local food and wine. One icon to another: The world's most famous beach beckons this afternoon, with your chance to pad along the sand at Bondi with Sydney's beautiful people. **B L**



Field of Light (Optional Experience)



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13 DAYS

Departure Dates

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Dec	08	May	25
2025		Jun	22
Jan	12, 26	Aug	24
Feb	09	Sep	07, 21
Mar	02, 16	Oct	05, 26
		Nov	02, 09, 16, 23
		Dec	07

Dining

12 Breakfasts B 3 Dinners D
2 Lunches L

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11 Sydney Free Time

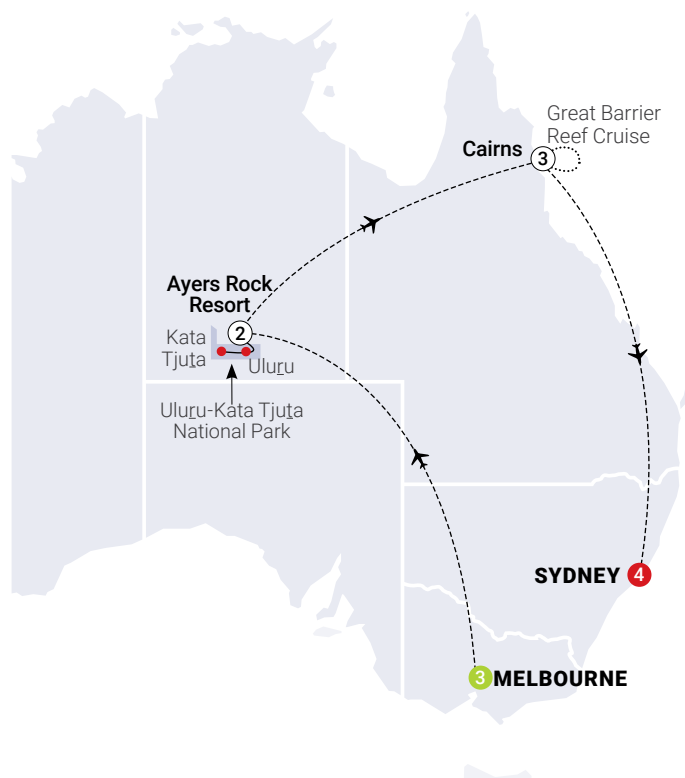
The hardest decision you have to make today: explore more of Sydney, or head to the Blue Mountains World Heritage listed wilderness on a tour (own expense). The choice is yours. **B**

12 Sydney Free Time

You could spend weeks exploring Sydney. Months even. But you have today, so get set for a wild ride. Your agenda is completely up to you, but we have more than a few ideas. And ideally a stroll through the Royal Botanic Garden, which offers so many lookouts for sparkling harbor views. This evening, celebrate your tour at a Highlight Dinner at Midden restaurant at the Sydney Opera House. Talk about ending on a high. **B D**

13 Farewell from Sydney

What an epic journey, with so many destinations explored in less than two weeks. Now you just have to sort through the photos... **B**



Australia & New Zealand Panorama

Highlights

Local Connection

From city life in Sydney to farm life in New Zealand, go behind the scenes while meeting passionate locals. How does a tour of the Opera House sound?

Cultural Immersion

Your Te Po Experience at Te Puia includes hangi inspired cuisine, authentic cultural performance and spectacular thermal activity.

Make Travel Matter

Operation Nest Egg may sound like it's from a Bond movie, but it's actually a way that the National Kiwi Hatchery is helping boost the population of kiwi birds in the wild. Your visit helps.

World Class Nature

Cairns is a place two World Heritage Sites meet: The Wet Tropics of Queensland and the Great Barrier Reef. Bring your sense of adventure to explore both.



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2 Melbourne Sightseeing & Free Time

Get out and see the sights today on a guided walk with your Travel Director discovering the little lanes, arcades, and café society of stylish Melbourne. Discover more of Melbourne over a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience tour and walk at Koorie Heritage Trust Gallery. There's time afterwards to explore on your own; enjoy an optional experience to Phillip Island to see the nightly ritual of the Penguin Parade (own expense). **B**

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4 Great Barrier Reef

Did you know that the World Heritage listed Great Barrier Reef is home to 1,500 species of fish, 215 different birds, 3,000 molluscs, six of the world's seven marine turtle species, and 30 species of dolphins and whales are residents? Get ready for an experience of a lifetime when you board a high-speed catamaran and cruise to the outer edge of the Great Barrier Reef. Strap on a snorkel and mask to view this marine menagerie up close and personal. Enjoy a buffet lunch onboard before returning to Cairns. **B L**

5 Cairns Free Time

If you're in the habit of getting up early now, you may wish to begin your day with a horizon-bending hot-air-balloon ride over the Atherton Tablelands. Prefer to stay grounded? Sign up for a guided walk through the Daintree Rainforest, or surround yourself with nature riding the Scenic Railway to Kuranda returning on the Skyrail Rainforest Cableway (all own expense). Tonight, join your companions for dinner, with native ingredients highlighted at Ochre Restaurant. **B D**

6 Cairns – Sydney

Fly from Cairns to Sydney. The rest of the day is yours to do as you wish. You could walk to the Art Gallery of NSW or to Mrs. Macquarie's Chair for a panoramic view of the Opera House and Harbour Bridge. Ask your Travel Director for evening dining suggestions. **Hotel: Sofitel Sydney Wentworth, 3 nights. B**

7 Sydney Sightseeing

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9 Sydney – Queenstown

New Zealand's adventure capital, Queenstown, awaits. Explore the alpine village and stunning Lake Wakatipu, then enjoy walkable bars and restaurants. Ask your Travel Director for tips. **Hotel: Millennium, 3 nights. B**

10 Queenstown Sightseeing

Get a taste of country life combined with good old fashioned southern hospitality as you meet a 'Southern Girl' local farmer at Real Country. For every guest on this **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience, we donate funds to The Fairlight Foundation, Advancing Women in Agriculture. Then you'll think you've stepped back in time when you arrive in the former gold-mining village of Arrowtown. Come dusk, cruise across Lake Wakatipu aboard the TSS Earnslaw; the only thing more inspiring than the



Te Puia Geysers



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Dining

14 Breakfasts B
1 Lunch L

6 Dinners D

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peaks of the Remarkables that surround is the festive welcome at Walter Peak High Country Farm, where a gourmet barbecue Highlight Dinner at the Colonel's Homestead awaits. **B D**

11 Queenstown Free Time

You could spend a long time in and around Queenstown. But on your free day, we highly recommend either venturing into the end-of-the-Earth wilderness that is Milford Sound, to cruise past sheer cliffs, white-capped peaks and waterfalls. Or blissing out on an obligatory wine tour of the Otago region (both own expense). It's a difficult decision. **B**

12 Queenstown – Auckland – Rotorua

After touching down in Auckland, you'll board your coach for the drive to Rotorua, the cultural capital. **Hotel: Millennium, 2 nights. B**

13 Rotorua Sightseeing

Your visit to the National Kiwi Hatchery is guided by passionate conservationists and will give you fascinating insights into New Zealand's national bird on this rewarding **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience. Rotorua's landscapes are reminiscent of a sci-fi movie set where mud pops from bubbling geysers and steam rushes skywards. See it firsthand at Whakarewarewa, living Maori Village. This evening, embark on the Te Po experience at Te Puia. Learn about Maori history and culture on this guided experience, which includes hangi-inspired cuisine and a cultural performance. **B D**

14 Rotorua – Auckland

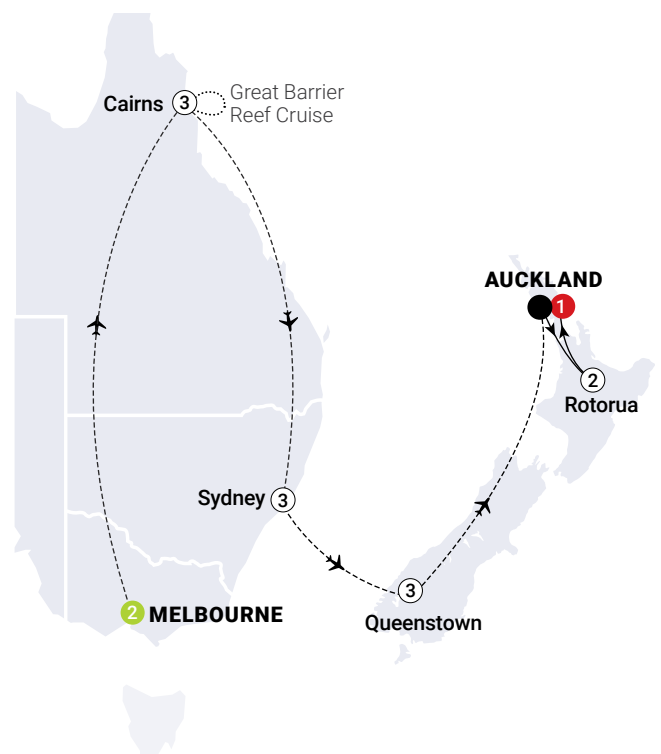
Set your GPS for the Waitomo Caves. While cruising cavernous waterways, your route is cast in a magical light by thousands of glow worms. The next thing that glows on your horizon is Auckland. This evening, share the stories of your New Zealand Panorama tour at a Farewell Dinner with your Travel Director and companions at The Grill. **Hotel: Horizon by SkyCity. B D**

15 Farewell from Auckland

Two countries, multiple adventures, an abundance of new friends... Just how do you say goodbye to a journey like this? **B**



- **START**
- **END**
- ① Number of night stays
- Sightseeing stops



Contrasts of Australia & New Zealand

Highlights

📍 Local Connection

From city to country... go on a tour at the Sydney Opera House with a local expert, then learn about life on a farm in the hill country of New Zealand.

🏠 Cultural Immersion

Māori culture and traditions are celebrated across New Zealand, as you'll discover at Te Po Maori Experience at Te Puia.

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3 Melbourne – Cairns

Things start to heat up in Cairns, the heart of Tropical North Queensland. Jump aboard a cruise at Hartley's Crocodile Adventures to discover some of the wildlife that calls this part of the state home, koalas, wallabies and crocs among them, before helping protect their habitats by planting trees as part of our Rainforest Restoration project. **Hotel: Hilton, 3 nights. B**

4 Great Barrier Reef

The Great Barrier Reef deserves its World Heritage listing – it's one of the most biodiverse marine environments on the planet, home to thousands of species of fish and corals, as well as six of the world's seven sea turtles. Strap on a snorkel and dive in or keep your hair dry and take in the drama from an underwater observatory and semi-submersible craft. Enjoy a buffet lunch on onboard before returning to Cairns. **B L**

5 Cairns Free Time

Today is one of decisions: explore the Cairns Esplanade, or head up into the hills on the Scenic Railway to Kuranda. You're surrounded by some of the world's oldest rainforest as you return on the Skyrail Rainforest Cableway (both own expense). If that's not humbling enough, tonight's dinner at Ochre Restaurant on the waterfront uses native ingredients that the world's oldest civilization has consumed for millennia. **B D**

6 Cairns – Sydney

We hope you have a window seat for the flight into Sydney - the view over the harbor as you come in to land certainly sparkles. The rest of your day

is free for you to acquaint yourself with this magical city. Ask your Travel Director for suggestions. **Hotel: Sofitel Sydney Wentworth, 3 nights. B**

7 Sydney Sightseeing

There are legendary Sydney sights, and then there's the Sydney Opera House – this dramatic building is the reason the word 'icon' was made. Go on a guided tour, then see it from the outside on a harbor cruise. Oh, and you'll get to glide under the Sydney Harbour Bridge. You'll want to toast your good fortune. Thankfully, we have planned a Be My Guest afternoon of wine tasting at Sydney's Urban Winery. Cheers to that! **B**

8 Sydney Free Time

Your agenda today is completely up to you, but we have more than a few ideas. Celebrate Sydney at dinner with your travel companions. **B D**

9 Sydney – Auckland

Battle of the harbors: Sydney has one, but Auckland has two. Small wonder it's known as the 'City of Sails'. **Hotel: Horizon by SkyCity, 2 nights. B D**

10 Auckland Sightseeing & Free Time

Set your sights firmly on New Zealand's national game: rugby. The interactive All Blacks Experience explores an introduction to the game as a part of New Zealand culture. Afterwards get the lay of the land on a city sights tour. **B**

11 Auckland – Rotorua

Experience the real Middle-earth at the Hobbiton Movie Set where you can step into the lush pastures of the Shire, as seen in The Lord of the Rings and The Hobbit trilogies. You will be fully guided around the 12-acre set, including into an interior Hobbit Hole experience. Continue to Rotorua, where tonight you will visit Te Puia's geothermal Valley. Learn about Maori history and culture, which includes hangi-inspired cuisine and a cultural performance. **Hotel: Millennium. B D**

12 Rotorua – Auckland - Queenstown

Your destination this morning in Rotorua is the National Kiwi Hatchery Aotearoa for a tour. Learn about the work being done to save this rare native bird, get up close and see kiwi eggs being incubated, the hatching



Great Barrier Reef



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18 DAYS

Departure Dates

2024-25 Season		2025-26 Season	
2024		2025	2026
Nov 28		Apr 10	Jan 08, 15, 22, 29
2025		May 08	Feb 05, 12, 19
Jan 16, 30		Jun 26	Mar 05, 12, 19, 26
Mar 06, 20		Aug 28	
		Sep 25	
		Oct 09	
		Nov 06, 20, 27	
		Dec 04, 11	

Dining

17 Full breakfasts B
3 Lunches L

8 Dinners D

Flight Information

Day 1: Flights to arrive prior to 12 noon into Melbourne Airport

Day 18: Flights to depart anytime from Christchurch Airport

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process, and even newly hatched kiwi chicks. This **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER**® Experience is not only fun but will give you fascinating insights into New Zealand's national bird. The feel-good vibes follow you all the way to Queenstown. **Hotel: Millennium, 3 nights. B**

13 Milford Sound Cruise

Sheer cliffs, thundering waterfalls, glaciers and rainforest – if there's a destination more inspiring than Milford Sound in Fiordland National Park, we're yet to find it. After a cruise here, we're sure you'll agree. **B L**

14 Queenstown Free Time

Sleep in, take a stroll around the lake... wherever you wander, meet your fellow travelers for a Highlight Dinner at 1860s Postmasters Cottage. **B D**

15 Queenstown – Lake Tekapo

Discover some of the rarest cars in NZ motorsports history during your visit to the Highlands Museum. Arriving at Lake Tekapo, you're far from anywhere. Which practically guarantees dazzling stargazing in the Aoraki Mackenzie International Dark Sky Reserve, with a guided exploration of the milky way later tonight. **Hotel: Peppers Bluewater Resort. B D**

16 Lake Tekapo – Christchurch

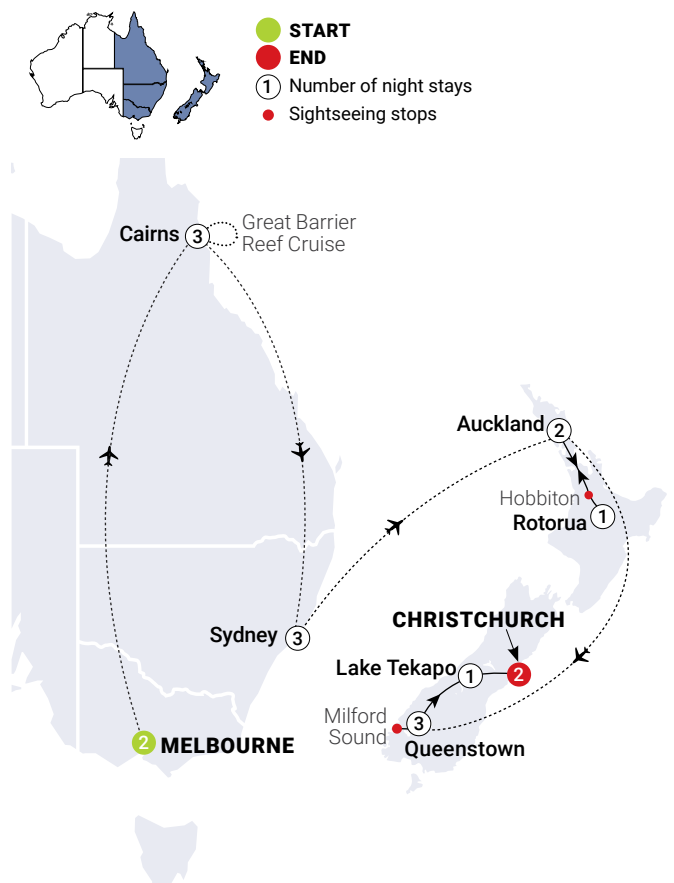
Get an early start to watch the sun rise over the lake or sleep in before heading to Christchurch, where community spirit is strong; not only has the city rebuilt since the devastating 2010/11 earthquakes, but it's thriving, with architectural innovations like the world's first church built of cardboard. **Hotel: Distinction, 2 nights. B**

17 Christchurch & Surrounds

Travel north through rolling countryside to Hurunui Hills, a hill country farm in North Canterbury. Enjoy warm Kiwi hospitality with the Bamford Family. Meet the farm animals & discover what it is like to live off the land on this unique Be My Guest experience. Continue to a local vineyard, Waipara Springs Winery, where it's time to relax with a platter-style lunch among the vines. A big day leads to a big evening joining your Travel Director and travel mates for a celebratory Farewell Dinner. **B L D**

18 Farewell from Christchurch

It's hard to say goodbye; so say Haere rā instead. **B**



Highlights of Australia & New Zealand

Highlights

📍 Local Connection

Australia dazzles, or exploring remote reaches of the Northern Territory under a blaze of stars, or colourful alleys in Melbourne hand-in-hand with an art aficionado.

🏛️ Cultural Immersion

Dive deep into Indigenous culture at Te Po Māori Experience at Te Puia, where Māori culture is revealed through art, tradition and cuisine.

🐣 Make Travel Matter

Your visit to a kiwi hatchery helps ensure the future of this adorable (yet endangered) bird for future generations of visitors.

🌊 World Class Nature

Nature humbles at Milford Sound, where plunging cliffs and raging waterfalls meet inky dark water. On your cruise you'll begin to understand why dolphins and sea lions love living here.



1 Welcome to Melbourne

Melbourne is known for its amazing food, as you'll discover while meeting your fellow travellers tonight. **Hotel: Crowne Plaza, 3 nights. D**

2 Melbourne Sightseeing & Free Time

Get your Melbourne bearings on a city tour, but make sure you're wearing comfy shoes for when you hit the streets to explore hidden alleys covered in eye-popping murals. This afternoon, you decide. Perhaps a nature-based sojourn to Phillip Island to see the Penguin Parade (own expense). **B**

3 Melbourne Free Time

There are endless reasons to linger in Melbourne. But if you feel like exploring further afield, talk to us about a road trip along the Great Ocean Road, one of the most scenic touring routes in the world (own expense). **B**

4 Melbourne – Uluru

The rusty red landscapes of Uluru beckon as you leave Melbourne for Ayers Rock Resort, your backdrop this afternoon is the world's largest rock monolith. Follow your guide to the perfect perch to capture Uluru as the last of the day disappears. **Hotel: Desert Gardens, 2 nights. B**

5 Uluru and Kata Tjuta

The only reason to get out of bed before dawn? For a magical Uluru sunrise. It's a spiritual place with stories of the Anangu, caretakers of this remote arid landscape revealed while you tour the base. This is the countryside that First Nations artists immortalize in their paintings – try your hand at creating one during an intro to Western Desert Art, a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience. The red desert follows you to Kata Tjuta, where nature humbles as you walk through the towering domes of this ancient rock formation. Cheers to the end of another amazing day. **B**

6 Uluru - Cairns

So the other reason to rise in the dark is to witness Bruce Munro's Field of Light, an installation of 50,000 orbs blanketing the outback (own expense). Head to your next stop in sunny Cairns. **Hotel: Hilton, 3 nights. B**

7 Cairns Free Time

Today is all yours. Celebrate the end of an incredible day at dinner at Salt House for regional seafood plucked straight from the ocean. **B D**

8 Great Barrier Reef

The world's largest living organism, the Great Barrier Reef, never fails to dazzle. Set out on a catamaran to explore a kaleidoscope of color. Strap on a snorkel or visit an underwater observatory and semi-submersible craft to take in the menagerie without getting your hair wet. **B L**

9 Cairns – Sydney

Touch down in Australia's largest city, with a harbor you could gaze at all day long. And all night. **Hotel: InterContinental, 4 nights. B**

10 Sydney Sightseeing

Bring your stamina: today is one of innumerable highlights. Go on a tour of the Sydney Opera House, discovering its architectural and performance secrets. Then see the city from the water on a Sydney Harbour Highlight Lunch Cruise. One icon to another: Bondi, the world's most famous beach, beckons this afternoon. **B L**

11 Sydney Free Time

The hardest decision you have to make today: explore more of Sydney, or head to the Blue Mountains World Heritage listed wilderness on a tour (own expense). **B**

12 Sydney Free Time

Now you've found your bearings in Sydney, choose from one of many optional experiences or explore on your own around the harbor. Tonight, a Highlight Dinner back in the shadow of the Opera House at Midden restaurant. **B D**

13 Sydney – Auckland

All you have to do today is sit back and enjoy the view as you cross the Tasman to embark on your next adventure. **Hotel: Horizon by SkyCity, 2 nights. B D**

14 Auckland Sightseeing & Free Time

Set your sights firmly on New Zealand's national game: rugby. The interactive All Blacks Experience explores an introduction to the game as a part of New Zealand culture. Afterwards, get the lay of the land on a city sightseeing tour. **B**



Queenstown



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22 DAYS

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Dec 08		May 25	Feb 01, 08, 15, 22
2025		Jun 22	Mar 01, 08, 15, 22
Jan 12, 26		Aug 24	
Feb 09		Sep 07, 21	
Mar 02, 16		Oct 05, 26	
		Nov 02, 09, 16, 23	
		Dec 07	

Dining

21 Breakfasts B 8 Dinners D
4 Lunches L

Flight Information

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15 Auckland – Rotorua

Get ready for a much-anticipated trip to the Hobbiton Movie Set. Later, continue to Rotorua. This evening, embark upon the Te Po experience at Te Puia, celebrating Maori and history and traditions, which includes hangi-inspired cuisine and cultural performance. **Millennium. B D**

16 Rotorua – Auckland – Queenstown

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17 Milford Sound Cruise

Sheer cliffs, waterfalls, glaciers and rainforest – if there's a destination more inspiring than Milford Sound/Piopiotahi in Fiordland National Park, we're yet to find it. After a cruise here, we're sure you'll agree. **B L**

18 Queenstown Free Time

Today is all yours. Regroup for dinner at the Postmasters Cottage. **B D**

19 Queenstown – Lake Tekapo

Discover some of the rarest cars in New Zealand motorsports history during your visit to the Highlands Museum. Arriving at Lake Tekapo, you're far from anywhere. Which practically guarantees dazzling stargazing in the UNESCO Aoraki Mackenzie International Dark Sky Reserve. **Hotel: Peppers Bluewater Resort. B D**

20 Lake Tekapo – Christchurch

Head north to Christchurch. **Hotel: Distinction, 2 nights. B**

21 Christchurch

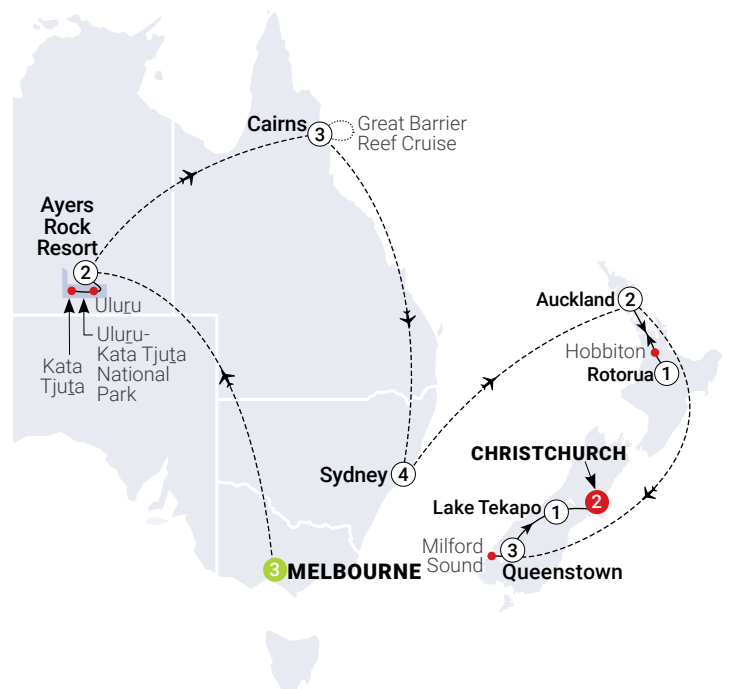
Travel to Hurunui Hills, a high-country farm in North Canterbury. Meet the family and the farm animals, and learn what it's like to live off the land on this Be My Guest experience. At Waipara Springs Winery, relax over a platter-style lunch. Gather this evening for a Farewell Dinner. **B L D**

22 Farewell from Christchurch

How did three weeks disappear like that? Re-live all the memorable moments on your way home. **B**



- **START**
- **END**
- ① Number of night stays
- Sightseeing stops



Outback Adventure

Highlights

Local Connection

Go off-grid at Earth Sanctuary, where the Falzon family inspire a sustainable lifestyle. Learn how you can, too, over a Be My Guest dinner and stargazing.

Cultural Immersion

Put life into perspective glimpsing 40,000-year-old rock art with an Indigenous guide. From Uluru to Kakadu, Songlines are strong.

Make Travel Matter

Wilpena Pound Resort is not just a pretty place to stay. When you check in, you're contributing to the local Adnyamathanha people and regional conservation projects.

World Class Nature

Coober Pedy is hot in more ways than one. This lunar landscape is as stark as it is staggering – even more incredible are the opals you'll find when you dig deep.

1 Welcome to Adelaide

At once cultured yet cool, Adelaide attracts foodies, historians, and art aficionados in equal measure. Explore it on a city tour, before meeting a local gourmand at the legendary Central Market, before joining your Travel Director for a Welcome Dinner. **Hotel: Crowne Plaza. D**

2 Adelaide – Flinders Ranges

One of Australia's oldest wine regions, the Clare Valley is all rounded hills, rippling vines and native forest. It's the postcard-perfect setting for historic Knapppstein Enterprise Winery, producing sweet-scented rieslings and mineral-rich reds. Next, enjoy a visit to artist Jeff Morgan's gallery in Hawker, gateway to the Flinders Ranges. The best is yet to come, as you arrive at Wilpena Pound Resort in the shadows of a staggering natural amphitheatre. **Hotel: Wilpena Pound Resort. B D**

3 Flinders Ranges – Port Augusta

The river red gums that envelop Hills Homestead will leave you lost for words. You get here on a leisurely walk along Wilpena Creek and continue to Wangarra Hill Lookout for views over the pound's peaks and curves. The drama is echoed as you travel to Pichi Richi Pass and the historic town of Quorn, where with a Local Guide, you'll hear the importance of this town in the ANZAC's Gallipoli Campaign, before easing into Port Augusta. **Hotel: Majestic Oasis Apartments. B D**

4 Port Augusta – Coober Pedy

The main attraction in Woomera is a former rocket-testing site, today stocked with disused rockets and missiles. Speaking of space, you'll think you've landed on the moon as you travel through sun-baked country to Coober Pedy, known as 'the opal capital of the world'. Things get deep as you travel underground to visit the town's headscratching subterranean facilities. **Hotel: Desert Cave. B D**

5 Coober Pedy – Uluru

Emerge from your cave and cross the border into the Northern Territory. Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park has World Heritage status for a reason; under the gaze of the world's mightiest monolith, toast the end of the day with a glass of bubbles and a camera full of sunset photos. **Hotel: Desert Gardens, Ayers Rock Resort, 2 nights. B**

6 Uluru Sunrise – Kata Tjuta

Pre-dawn wake-up calls are worth it when you get to enjoy a Red Centre sunrise. Marvel at the majesty of Uluru as you circumnavigate its base or join a guided walk to Mutitjulu Waterhole. This landscape takes you back to the beginning of time, a sacred place among the Anangu. More soul-salving landscapes await at Kata Tjuta, cool relief provided as you walk amid its domes to Walpa Gorge. **B**

7 Uluru – Kings Canyon

Sleep in, or you might choose to rise early for Artist Bruce Munro's Field of Light (own expense) and another special sunrise over Uluru. Next chance to stretch your legs is at Kings Creek Station, the largest exporter of wild camels in Australia. All your senses will be activated at Kings Canyon, 440-million years in the making. **Hotel: Kings Canyon Resort. B D**

8 Kings Canyon – Alice Springs

Things are bigger in the NT outback, from the cattle stations to the MacDonnell Ranges, which stretch like a caterpillar's spine toward Alice Springs. Alice Springs makes Australian history for her 1872 Telegraph Station, one of 11 along the Overland Telegraph Line between Adelaide and Darwin. **Hotel: DoubleTree by Hilton, 2 nights. B**

9 Alice Springs Sightseeing

Aboriginal culture is strong in Alice Springs, as you'll fast find on a tour of the Alice Springs Desert Park. Visit the Royal Flying Doctor Service, its base a museum that goes behind the scenes of the life-saving health services delivered to people in remote realms. One of the benefits of being this far-flung is the lack of light pollution. And at Earth Sanctuary World Nature Centre, this equates to epic stargazing. Your Be My Guest BBQ dinner here with the Falzon family is enlightening and uplifting - think stories of self-sufficient living and astronomy. **B D**

10 Alice Springs – Tennant Creek

1.3 million square kilometers – that's the eye-watering distance the School of Air's lessons are broadcast across daily. If touring during the school term, you may be lucky enough to observe live educational sessions featuring children who otherwise may not have access to public education. Approximately an hour south of Tennant Creek is Karlu Karlu, the Devils



Kata Tjuta viewing platform

Marbles, a collection of hundreds of boulders that vary in size, with some 6 meters high. These boulders have formed over millions of years and continue to crack and change over time. **Hotel: Bluestone Motor Inn. B D**

11 Tennant Creek – Katherine

Since the 1930s, the Daly Waters Historic Pub has been dishing up schnitzels, barramundi burgers and hearty steaks. The walls are lined with 'treasures' that passers-by leave behind. 'Land of the Never Never' awaits at Mataranka. Visit a replica of the Elsey Homestead, used in 1982 Aussie drama We of the Never Never. Or wander palm-lined walkways to take a dip in the region's thermal springs. **Hotel: Contour. B D**

12 Katherine – Kakadu National Park

The Jawoyn have called Nitmiluk (Katherine) Gorge home for millennia. Find out about the ancient story of the cicada, embodying the spiritual connection between the Jawoyn people and their land. Traverse the land into Kakadu National Park. The Yellow Water billabong cruise is a mesmerizing journey through this ancient landscape, guided by knowledgeable locals. **Hotel: Mercure Kakadu Crocodile, Jabiru. B D**

13 Kakadu – Darwin

Decisions, decisions: morning scenic flight over Kakadu (own expense), or a sleep in. We vote for the former before you venture toward Ubirr and its ancient Aboriginal rock art. The night is yours in steamy Darwin, where the characters are as large as the shadows cast at sunset. **Hotel: Hilton Garden Inn, 2 nights. B**

14 Darwin Free Time

Today, go your own way. That might mean sleeping in, and then heading out for a delicious tropical lunch. Or signing up for optional experiences, like explorations into Litchfield National Park. Or, head north to the Tiwi Islands, where you take a deep dive into Indigenous history and art with First Nations guides (both own expense). Whichever route you go, we'll see you at the Farewell Dinner. **B D**

15 Farewell from Darwin

Time to bid adieu and head home to sort through all those photos. Even better are the memories; two weeks of wild outback adventures. **B**



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15 DAYS

Departure Dates

2025-26 Season		
2025		2025 continued
Jun	10, 17	Aug 05, 12
Jul	08, 15	Sep 02

Dining

14 Breakfasts B

10 Dinners D

Flight Information

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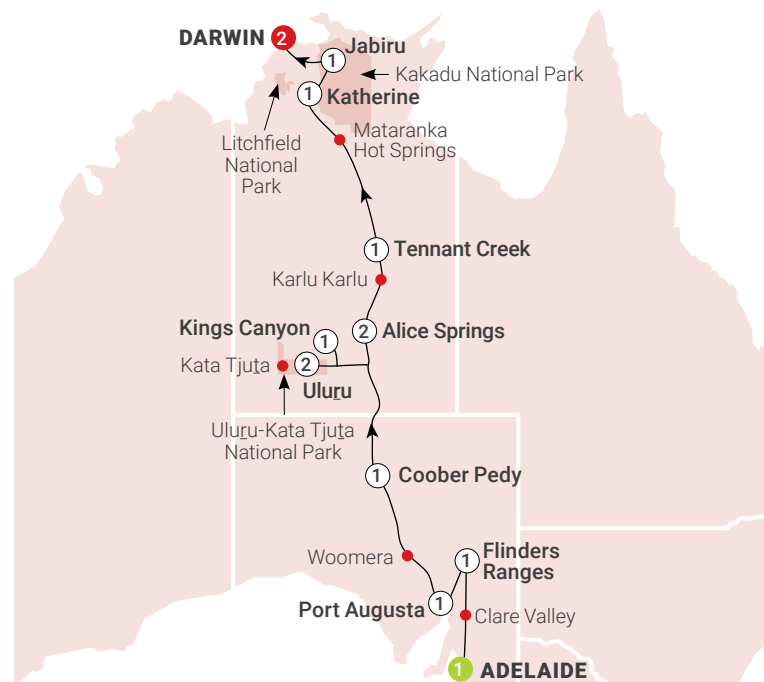
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Extensions & Add-Ons

- Ask us about adding a journey on The Ghan Expedition from Darwin to Adelaide to the end of your tour. (Code: NAADR)
- Ask us about pre-booking our exclusive Uluru Barbecue Dinner as an add-on to Day 5. (Code: BBQA)
- Add Bruce Munro's Uluru Sunrise & Field of Light to Day 7. (Code: FOL).
- Add Tiwi Islands Aboriginal Cultural Experience to Day 14. (Code: TFER)



- **START**
- **END**
- ① Number of night stays
- Sightseeing stops



Untamed Kimberley

Highlights

Local Connection

Support local Aboriginal artists with a visit to a Kimberley Indigenous Art Gallery and discover why art is so important to maintaining culture.

Cultural Immersion

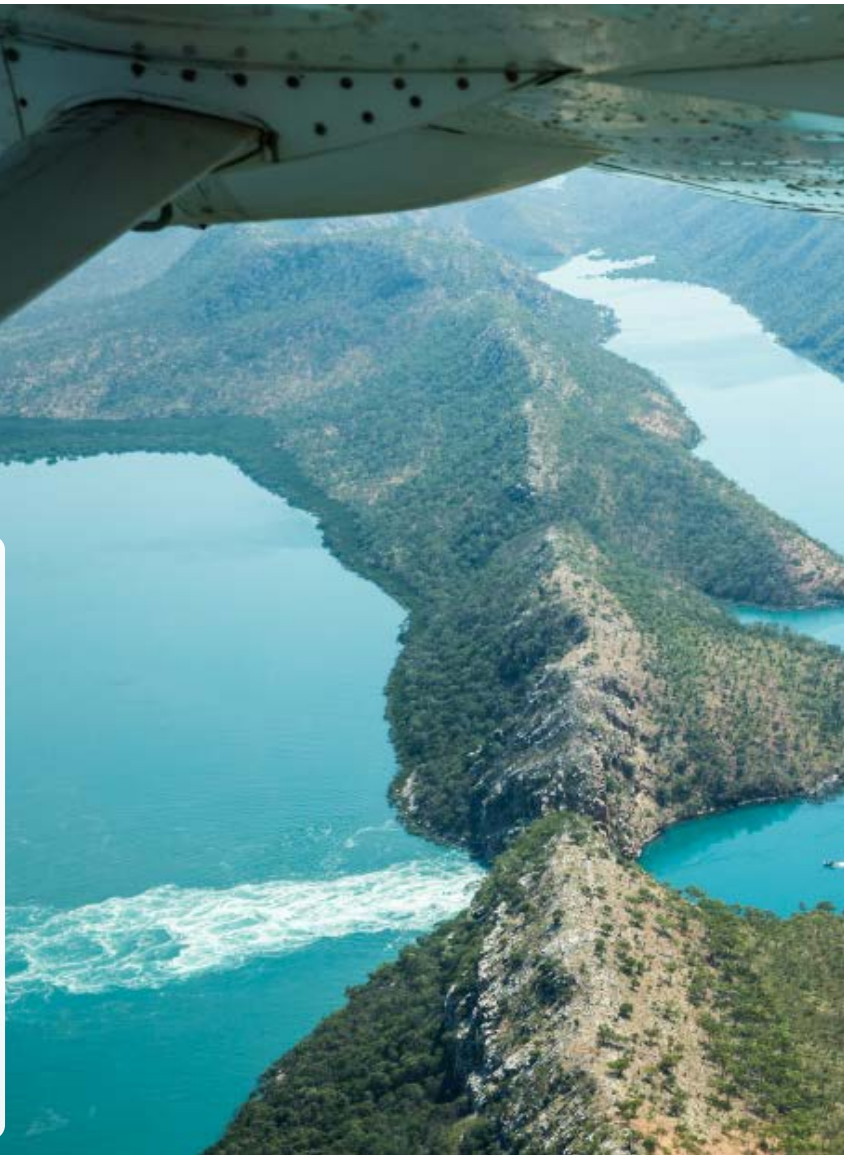
Cruise down the spectacular Ord River from Lake Argyle with a local guide, to be greeted by the setting sun over the water in Kununurra.

Make Travel Matter

Inside Mimbi Caves, hear fascinating stories as your Gooniyandi guide takes you to a time when Aboriginal people inhabited these caves, carved out of an ancient fossilized reef system.

World Class Nature

Learn about the Jawoyn people, traditional landowners of Nitmiluk National Park, their stories of how the gorge was formed, and about how they live and work today.



1 Welcome to Darwin

The balmy Darwin climate sets the pace for your city tour: relaxed. Things don't happen in a hurry here. Even the fiery sunsets seem to linger. You'll catch one later, but first an orientation tour to meet locals, discover the city's architecture and learn about the events that have shaped life, from Cyclone Tracy to WWII when the Northern Territory capital was bombed. Now it's time to watch the day disappear and meet your fellow adventure seekers for a Welcome Dinner. **Hotel: Vibe Darwin Waterfront. D**

2 Darwin – Katherine

As you begin your travels south, yet more reminders of the impact of WWII line the banks of the Adelaide River, where the headquarters of a military base once stood. Then nature takes over at Nitmiluk National Park bordering Kakadu. This is Jawoyn land, and a place where you'll feel your spirit soar. Particularly when you're cruising through dramatic Nitmiluk Gorge, your boat the only sound in this enormous chasm. There's no time to catch your breath – you're off to the Katherine Outback Experience, where you'll be entertained with songs, stories, and a Be My Guest dinner under the stars. **Hotel: Contour. B D**

3 Katherine – Kununurra

Say goodbye to the NT and hello to WA, your introduction to the state the unexpected delights of Kununurra. It's in the middle of nowhere, and only exists because of the Ord River Irrigation Scheme. Before it was a twinkle on the map, farming pioneers came here to establish vast cattle stations. The life of one family is chronicled at the Durack Homestead Museum, which you'll visit before enjoying yet another sunset, this time cruising the Ord River and Lake Argyle. Some experiences burn into your memory. **Hotel: Kununurra Country Club Resort, 2 nights. B D**

4 Kununurra

Today is one of decisions: A scenic flight over (or 4WD tour of) the Bungle Bungles (own expense). Or a wander with your Travel Director through Mirima National Park. In between, explore the Waringarri Aboriginal Art Centre on a guided tour. **B**

5 Kununurra – Emma Gorge

It's not every day that you get to go behind the scenes of a rum distillery with the family that owns it. Discover how Hoochery Distillery makes its lip-smacking, award-winning rums and whiskys. Try a tasting paddle to get your heart started (own expense) and then sit down to morning tea. Get a taste of the Gibb River Road, a wild adventure that traverses 660 kilometers across the Kimberley, before arriving to El Questro Wilderness Park. Your safari-style tents for the night are surrounded by an oasis of pandanus palms. **Hotel: Emma Gorge Resort, Tented Cabin with private facilities, El Questro, 2 nights. B D**

6 El Questro Wilderness Park

The best way to wake up? With the sun streaming through your tent, wildlife all around. The Kimberley's sounds follow you across the mighty Pentecost River, a mecca for those who love a spot of barramundi fishing. Arriving at Chamberlain Gorge, an enormous fresh waterhole, your cruise chariot awaits. Jump aboard to feel very small indeed, your boat dwarfed by soaring 65-meter escarpments. When it's time to cool down, take an afternoon dip in the resort pool. **B D**

7 Emma Gorge – Halls Creek

When you arrive in Halls Creek you'll visit the Yarliyi Art Gallery, an Aboriginal owned enterprise which has more than 100 artist members who practice art in a wide range of styles and mediums. Equally important to Aboriginal communities is the Great Sandy Desert, on the edge of which is Halls Creek. This place is small in population, but big in personality. **Hotel: Kimberley. B D**

8 Halls Creek – Fitzroy Crossing

The Kimberley boasts a geological history that is nothing short of spectacular. Explore the Mimbi Caves with an Indigenous guide, a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience, to observe the delicate limestone formations, brilliantly vivid colors and crystal-clear freshwater pools that remain from the Devonian Great Barrier Reef that formed over 350 million years ago. Discover ancient rock paintings before listening



Horizontal Falls Scenic Flight (Optional Experience)

to songs and hearing the Gooniyandi Dreaming story, while enjoying billy tea and damper. Travel through the Kimberley towards the remote township of Fitzroy Crossing. **Hotel: Fitzroy River Lodge. B L D**

9 Fitzroy Crossing – Broome

Among the most multicultural cities in Australia, Broome became a base for fortune-seekers the world over during its 'pearl rush'. The pristine waters here grow great oysters, and the resulting pearls are prized by lovers of all things that gleam. A city tour will give you your bearings. Then it's time to settle in for Broome's other attraction: its sunsets. Follow locals to the sand or find a perch in a beachside bar to salute the end of another spectacular day in WA. **Hotel: Cable Beach Club Resort & Spa, 2 nights. B**

10 Broome Free Time

A day of decisions. Head north to feel the full force of nature on a scenic flight over the magical Horizontal Falls (own expense). Or simply enjoy Broome's tropical climes, strolling along 22-kilometer Cable Beach, and browsing the pearl boutiques in town. It's hard to resist a purchase; even harder when you go straight to the source at a pearl farm, to see how they're harvested (own expense). This evening, join your Travel Director for a Farewell Dinner. **B D**

11 Farewell from Broome

Eleven days, countless memories, a bunch of new friends... you'll leave Broome with your travel wanderlust ignited. **B**



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Departure Dates

WDB: Darwin to Broome (11 DAYS)

2025-26 Season	
2025	
May	06, 27
Jul	01
Aug	05, 12, 26

WBD: Broome to Darwin (11 DAYS)

2025-26 Season		
2025		2025 continued
Jun	06, 13	Aug 01, 15
Jul	25	Sep 05

Dining

10 Breakfasts B 8 Dinners D
1 Lunch L

Flight Information

WDB: Darwin to Broome

Day 1: Flights to arrive prior to 2.00pm into Darwin Airport
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- **END**
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- Optional Experience



Tastes of Southern Australia

Highlights

Local Connection

Meet Craig Starr on his 400-hectare sheep farm Gold Creek Station for a tale or two, and a BBQ. The stories continue at Australian Parliament House.

Cultural Immersion

Gold rush towns always come with stories about infamous bush rangers and love scandals. Hear them when you arrive in historic Beechworth.

Make Travel Matter

Walk with a guide through the galleries of Koorie Heritage Trust, a First Peoples arts and cultural center at Federation Square.

World Class Nature

Along the Great Ocean Road's 240 kilometers you'll discover all manner of natural drama, from limestone stacks to World Heritage listed rainforest and untouched coastal coves.



As this vacation departs at 7.30am from the Vibe Hotel Sydney, accommodations will need to be pre-booked for the previous night.

1 Sydney – Canberra

As hard as it is to say goodbye to Sydney, it's just as easy to say hello to the Southern Highlands. South of the 'Harbour City', the rustic countryside of Berrima awaits – fun fact: this is the oldest Georgian village in Australia. Further on, you're welcomed to Gold Creek Station by sheep farmer Craig Starr for a Be My Guest BBQ lunch and tales about life on the land. Onward to the country's cool little capital, home to Parliament House, where you'll go behind the political scenes. **Hotel: Crowne Plaza. L**

2 Canberra – Wangaratta

Get some Canberra perspective from the summit of Mt. Ainslie. You won't be able to see the Murray River, but you'll soon cross it en route to Beechworth, Victoria's best-preserved gold rush town. Get the lowdown on Beechworth over a chat with the publican of the historic local pub and enjoy afternoon tea in the oldest hotel in town. Then you'll be set and on your way to explore honey and gold shops, galleries and museums at your leisure. **Hotel: Quality. B**

3 Wangaratta – Melbourne

Meandering south toward historic Glenrowan, you're well and truly in Ned Kelly country – this is where the infamous bushranger and his gang were finally captured in 1880. We'll tell you all the tales, then a few more about Melbourne, the home of Aussie Rules football, some of the country's best arts institutions, and a swag of stellar restaurants, cafés and bars. Immerse yourself in a guided galleries tour of our First Peoples arts and cultural center, the Koorie Heritage Trust, a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience, then head off to explore before an evening at leisure. **Hotel: Crowne Plaza, 2 nights. B**

4 Melbourne Free Time

You're on your own today. Perhaps enjoy a strong coffee in one of Melbourne's atmospheric laneways. Adrenaline junkie? Linger in the city, gaining bird's-eye views from the Melbourne Skydeck at the Eureka Tower. Animal lover? Venture to Phillip Island to see hundreds of little penguins pad along the sand (both own expense). **B**

5 Melbourne – Warrnambool

The Great Ocean Road is one of the world's most epic journeys, a dramatic 240-kilometer union of limestone stacks (Twelve Apostles, we're looking at you), World Heritage listed rainforest, untouched coastal coves and sleepy towns, like Lorne and Apollo Bay. It's hard to know where to point your camera. We recommend having it poised to snap shots of the Loch Ard Gorge and London Bridge rock formations. It doesn't get any better than this. **Hotel: Lady Bay Resort. B D**

6 Warrnambool – Naracoorte

Emus and koalas... These are just a couple of the animals you'll likely spot as you drive through Tower Hill Wildlife Reserve – housed in a dormant volcanic crater. Remarkably, this pocket of paradise was once wasteland, transformed by volunteers. More volcanic history awaits across the South Australian border in Mt. Gambier, home to the crater-filling Blue Lake. By now you'll be pretty thirsty, so it's a good thing the Coonawarra wine region is around the corner. After a few sips, you may find yourself getting deep – literally. Naracoorte's Alexandra Cave is a maze of delicate needle-like stalactites and massive twisting columns. **Hotel: William MacIntosh Motor Lodge. B D**

7 Naracoorte – Kangaroo Island

The Fleurieu Peninsula is a natural adventure playground, all rolling hills, rugged clifftops and sandy beaches. Seaside Victor Harbor turns on the charms – take a horse drawn tram ride out to Granite Island (own expense) or take a wander along the pier – before your ferry blasts its horn. All aboard for Kangaroo Island, home to native wildlife like sea lions, koalas and diverse bird species. Your destination is Kingscote. **Hotel: Aurora Ozone, 2 nights. B D**

8 Kangaroo Island Sightseeing

It's time for an island adventure: first stops are Remarkable Rocks and Admirals Arch, home to an immense colony of raucous fur seals. The wildlife greets you at Seal Bay Conservation Park, where enormous sea lions barrel down the sand to the water. Here, on a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience you'll visit one of the country's most important sea lion breeding grounds. Aside from smelling divine, eucalyptus oil



Remarkable Rocks



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11 DAYS

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2025		Aug 28	Mar 19
Jan 09, 23		Sep 18	
Feb 06, 20		Oct 16	
Mar 06, 20		Nov 20	

Dining

10 Breakfasts B
3 Lunches L

4 Dinners D

Flight Information

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is like the Holy Grail of healing – there’s not much it can’t cure. Drop in to South Australia’s only eucalyptus distillery to tour the estate, spot resident kangaroos, discover KI’s history and dive into oil production. A well-deserved tasting of craft beer awaits at a boutique brewery, the only one on the island. How does a Golden Ale sound? **B L**

9 Kangaroo Island – Adelaide

You’ve arrived in the South Australian capital, known for its well-preserved churches and well-admired cuisine. Did you know that Adelaide boasts more restaurants per capita than any other city in Australia? After a city orientation tour, the afternoon is yours to see just how many you can sample – we have a few recommendations, including a visit to the epic Central Market, where you can try green ant gin with cheese, among so many other delicacies (own expense). **Hotel: Crowne Plaza, 2 nights. B**

10 Adelaide Hills & The Barossa

Pull on your elastic-waisted pants – today is one of indulgences through the Adelaide Hills and the Barossa, dotted with atmospheric towns like Hahndorf, Australia’s oldest surviving German settlement. A Barossa and Hahndorf tour reveals the bountiful food and wine this pocket of the state is known for. Discover local flavors over lunch at Lambert Estate, nestled in the rolling hills of the Barossa followed by a wine or gin tasting at Maggie Beer’s Pheasant Farm. Enjoy a Japanese inspired Farewell Dinner this evening at the hotel with your newfound friends. **B L D**

11 Farewell from Adelaide

By day 11, you will have a suitcase full of gin, wine and cheese; a camera full of dreamy images; and more memories than you can count. **B**



Great Ocean Road & Kangaroo Island

Highlights

Local Connection

Mike established Kangaroo Island Brewery in 2015, and loves talking to guests about the flavors distinguishing his beers.

Cultural Immersion

Learn about the eucalyptus distillery on Kangaroo Island that has been running since the 1880s, and the part it plays in the island's history

Make Travel Matter

You'll learn about the Australian sea lion, one of the rarest species in the world of only 12,000, 800 of which call Seal Bay home.

World Class Nature

The underworld beckons at Naracoorte's Alexandra Cave, a maze of delicate needle-like stalactites and massive twisting columns.

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1 Melbourne – Warrnambool

You're on your way to the Great Ocean Road, a snaking coastal route that is one of the world's most epic journeys. Across a dramatic 240 kilometers you'll take in limestone stacks like the Twelve Apostles, Loch Ard Gorge and London Bridge. Then traverse World Heritage listed rainforest, skirting untouched coastal coves, and passing through sleepy towns like Lorne and Apollo Bay, where bare feet and boardshorts are the dress code. Get together with your fellow travelers for a Welcome Dinner tonight. **Hotel: Lady Bay Resort. D**

2 Warrnambool – Naracoorte

Emus and koalas... oh my! These are just a couple of the animals you'll likely spot as you drive through Tower Hill Wildlife Reserve, housed in a dormant volcanic crater. Remarkably, this pocket of paradise was once wasteland, transformed by volunteers. More volcanic history awaits across the South Australian border in Mt. Gambier, home to the crater-filling Blue Lake. Bring your sunglasses, because the lake's name doesn't do it justice – the intensity of the hue is blinding. By now you'll be pretty thirsty, so it's a good thing the Coonawarra wine region is around the corner. Fancy a world-class cab sav, shiraz or merlot? You've come to the right place. Your final adventure is deep, in every sense of the word. Naracoorte's Alexandra Cave is a maze of delicate needle-like stalactites and massive twisting columns. **Hotel: William MacIntosh Motor Lodge. B D**

3 Naracoorte – Kangaroo Island

Nature rules large again today as you weave along the Fleurieu Peninsula to Victor Harbor. After rolling hills, sandy beaches and rugged cliffs, you're greeted with the charms of this seaside town – the gateway to Kangaroo Island. All aboard the ferry for your journey toward this 'mini Galapagos'. Kangaroo Island deserves its moniker, as you'll discover tomorrow, but for the rest of the day, all you need to do is relax at your hotel in Kingscote, or perhaps take a stroll along the picturesque waters edge. **Hotel: Aurora Ozone, 2 nights. B D**

4 Kangaroo Island

First stop today truly deserves its name: the orange-lichen-clad Remarkable Rocks command your attention over the blazing blue of the Southern Ocean. Then there's Admirals Arch, home to an immense colony of raucous fur seals and a very photogenic lighthouse. The wildlife greets you at Seal Bay Conservation Park. Here, on a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience you'll visit one of the country's most important sea lion breeding grounds. On a guided walk, you'll learn about these creatures - one of the rarest species in the world of only 12,000, 800 of which call Seal Bay home. Move aside: enormous sea lions regularly barrel down the sand toward the water. Aside from smelling divine, eucalyptus oil is like the Holy Grail of healing – there's not much it can't cure. Drop in to South Australia's only eucalyptus distillery to tour the estate, spot resident kangaroos, discover KI's history and dive into oil production. Finish today's adventure with a tasting of craft beers at Kangaroo Island's only brewery. How does a Pale Ale sound? **B L**

5 Kangaroo Island – Adelaide

On your cruise back to the mainland, picture some of the culinary opportunities that await you in the South Australian capital. Adelaide is known as the 'city of churches' but we think a more apt title is the 'city of cuisine'. After a city tour, the afternoon is yours to see just how many restaurants and bars you can sample. Want recommendations? We might point you in the direction of the epic Central Market, the largest of its kind in the Southern Hemisphere with more than 70 stalls selling artisan edibles (and drinkables). **Hotel: Crowne Plaza, 2 nights. B**

6 Adelaide Hills & The Barossa

Pull on your elastic-waisted pants – today is one of indulgences through the Adelaide Hills and the Barossa, dotted with atmospheric towns like Hahndorf, Australia's oldest surviving German settlement. A Barossa and Hahndorf tour reveals the bountiful food and wine this pocket of the state is known for. Discover local flavors over lunch at Lambert Estate, nestled in the rolling hills of the Barossa followed by a wine or gin tasting at Maggie Beer's Pheasant Farm. Enjoy a Japanese inspired Farewell Dinner this evening at the hotel with your newfound friends. **B L D**



The Twelve Apostles



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Feb 10, 24		Nov 24	
Mar 10, 24			

Dining

6 Breakfasts B
2 Lunches L

4 Dinners D

Flight Information

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Extensions & Add-Ons

- Start your tour in Sydney. See Tastes of Southern Australia on page 40.

7 Farewell from Adelaide

A week in this part of the world really isn't enough. We hope we've inspired you to come back for another taste. **B**



The Barossa



Seal Bay Conservation Park



Perfect Tasmania

Highlights

Local Connection

Whether you're cruising the Gordon River and Wineglass Bay or going behind the scenes for lunch at Mt. Gnomon Farm, in-the-know locals will keep you company.

Cultural Immersion

Step back in time and delve into the history of the Port Arthur penal settlement and historic site on a private, interpretive guided tour.

Make Travel Matter

Learn about how to create a more sustainable environment for the future on our Kipli Takara Bush Tucker tour.

World Class Nature

Cradle Mountain-Lake St Clair National Park is the kind of place that makes you put life into perspective. How can nature be this humbling?



1 Welcome to Hobart

You don't have to venture far from your hotel to find inspiration in Hobart, whether you're exploring the harbor or easing into one of the city's applauded galleries and wine bars. Save room for your Welcome Dinner with your fellow adventure-seekers. **Hotel: Grand Chancellor, 2 nights. D**

2 City Sights and Salamanca Market

Your morning excursions delve deep into many of the things that make Hobart great: the Mt. Nelson Lookout, offering views over the city; historic Battery Point and the Cascade Brewery. End the tour at the leafy Botanical Gardens spotlighting endemic plants a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience. Salamanca Market is like creative Tasmania in a bustling snapshot. Grab yourself a coffee before navigating more than 300 stalls, wedged alongside the Salamanca precinct's historic sandstone warehouses. **B**

3 Hobart – Strahan

Today is a journey of contrasts. Exhale amid the forest enveloping Russell Falls in Mt. Field National Park. Forget your worries at Lake St. Clair, the deepest natural lake in Australia. Sigh as you skirt the World Heritage-protected Franklin-Gordon Wild Rivers National Park. Then revel in the serenity of Strahan. **Hotel: Strahan Village. B D**

4 Strahan – Cradle Mountain

Soak up the silence of this untouched wilderness area on your Gordon River cruise en route to Sarah Island, the state's oldest convict settlement. Today, the island's haunting ruins have been reclaimed by nature, enveloped by forest and twisting vines. Your commute toward immense Cradle Mountain-Lake St. Clair National Park sees you travel through tiny mining towns scattered amongst the mountainous wild terrain. Rest up – Cradle Mountain awaits. **Hotel: Cradle Mountain, 2 nights. B L D**

5 Cradle Mountain Sightseeing

Spend the day in Cradle Mountain, all moss-covered ancient rainforests and deep river gorges, snow-tipped peaks, wild alpine moorlands and glacial lakes – case in point Dove Lake, where you may spot Bennetts wallabies, echidnas and pademelons. Pause at Waldheim Chalet, once the home of Gustav and Kate Weindorfer, the duo pivotal in the park's formation. **B D**

6 Cradle Mountain – Launceston

Tasmania has its fair share of award-winning gin and whisky distilleries, as well as small boutique breweries. Among them is a seaside tap house found in the petite town of Penguin. Sit back and enjoy a tasting paddle of local brew while taking in the views overlooking glorious Bass Strait. Continue your palate expansion at Mount Gnomon Farm. Farmer Guy Robertson is as passionate about his orchard as he is the cider he makes. Sip your way through a paddock-to-plate lunch. Continue to quirky Sheffield, the 'Town of Murals' and through the Meander Valley to Launceston. **Hotel: Grand Chancellor, 2 nights. B L**

7 Launceston Sightseeing & Free Time

Explore Cataract Gorge at leisure. By the time you reach Josef Chromy Vineyard, you'll have worked up a thirst. We've got you covered, with a glass of one of the state's finest cool-climate wines. It's no secret that Tasmania produces some of the best food in Australia – it's the clean air and water, lush landscapes and verdant soils. This all unites to create droolworthy sweet and savory condiments at the Gourmet Sauce Company, overlooking the South Esk River. Sample the oh-so-tasty wares, whether sauces, jams, mustards or relishes with your lunch. **B L**

8 Launceston – Bicheno

You'll smell Bridestowe Estate well before you arrive – this lavender farm welcomes with soothing aromas, and addictive flavors in the form of lavender ice-cream. Moving moments await at Legerwood Carved Memorial Trees, a series of trees carved with sculptures as a homage to fallen WWI soldiers. Be sure to head out tonight to catch a glimpse of the little penguins that call Bicheno home. **Hotel: Diamond Island Beach Resort. B D**

9 Freycinet National Park & Wineglass Bay Cruise

There's a reason this part of Tasmania takes home top honors for its beaches – they were made for postcards. The brilliant blue ocean follows you through Cape Tourville's virgin eucalypt forests, with dramatic mountains as far as the eye can see. Soak in the beauty of the breathtaking Freycinet Peninsula on a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience that contributes to the preservation of its wildlife. You'll cruise past granite coastline, towering pink cliffs of the Hazards range, beaches fringed by



Mount Gnomon Farm



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Jan 17	Oct 10, 31	Mar 13	
Feb 07, 28	Nov 21		
Mar 21	Dec 05		

Dining

12 Breakfasts B 8 Dinners D
5 Lunches L

Flight Information

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dense bush, as you graze on a tasty Ploughman’s lunch while taking in the serenity of stunning Wineglass Bay. **Hotel: Eastcoaster Tasmania. B L D**

10 Triabunna – Sorell

This morning, explore the historic township of Richmond. Next, join us for a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience at Risdon Cove. Kipli Takara (meaning food walk) is an immersive experience where you’re invited to walk the culturally rich landscape with palawa (Tasmanian Aboriginal) guides across this abundant natural pantry. Taste the seasonal native bush tucker and get a first-hand glimpse into how palawa continue to enjoy cultural foods and undertake culturally-centered land management across lutruwita/Tasmania. Now, want to disconnect from technology, and reconnect with Mother Nature? You’ve come to the right place. To the northeast of Hobart in Sorell, Iron Creek Bay Farm comes with seclusion and style to spare. This is your base for the night, and what calming treasures await. This working farm is enveloped by 70 hectares of orchards growing cherries, apricots, apples and grapes. You’re invited to pick fruits during your stay, and you’ll likely meet an array of resident animals. **Hotel: Iron Creek Bay Farm. B L D**

11 Port Arthur Historic Site

While the World Heritage listed Port Arthur Historic Site has a grim convict history, you wouldn’t know it today – the countryside is all rolling green fields and ocean views, best glimpsed on a Port Arthur guided tour with an in-the-know historian. Today you will cruise around the Isle of the Dead, glimpse rugged sea cliffs from Pirate’s Bay Lookout, and marvel at Tasman’s Arch, Devil’s Kitchen and the Blowhole. Tonight is at your leisure in Hobart. **Hotel: Grand Chancellor, 2 nights. B**

12 Hobart Free Time

There’s something about Tasmania’s capital that encourages life in the slow lane. You’ll quickly fall into step today, yours to spend as you will. Tonight, celebrate Tasmania with your travel mates at a Farewell Dinner at a popular Hobart restaurant. **B D**

13 Farewell from Hobart

Now is the time to re-live all the epic things you’ve seen and done over the last two weeks with your friends back home. **B**



- START
- END
- ① Number of night stays
- Sightseeing stops



Tassie's Parks & Nature

Highlights

Local Connection

Cheese, wine, beer and cider all await in Tassie. Go behind the scenes with the makers, including farmer Guy Robertson on his Mt. Gnomon property.

Cultural Immersion

Listen to local street performers as you taste delicious homegrown produce at Tassie's iconic Salamanca Market.

Make Travel Matter

Your donation to the Royal Tasmanian Botanical Gardens contributes to their conservation projects.

World Class Nature

Carved by ice during glaciations over the last two million years, Lake St. Clair is the deepest natural lake in Australia. Added bonus – it's surrounded by World Heritage listed Franklin-Gordon Wild Rivers National Park.



1 Welcome to Hobart

The Tasmanian capital packs a lot of punch into such a small perimeter, from restaurants that garner global praise to moody wine bars, eye-opening galleries, waterside walks and character-filled historic precincts. Explore at your leisure before meeting the adventurous souls over a Welcome Dinner. **Hotel: Grand Chancellor, 2 nights. D**

2 City Sights and Salamanca Market

This morning you'll see what makes Hobart tick, from the Mt. Nelson Lookout, gazing over the River Derwent, and the state's capital; historic Battery Point and the Cascade Brewery. End the tour at the leafy Botanical Gardens spotlighting endemic plants a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience. Three hundred – that's the number of stalls you'll navigate this afternoon at Hobart's mighty Salamanca Market. Get your heart started sampling gin and whisky, or order a coffee while perusing made-in-Tasmania arts and crafts. The precinct, amid historic sandstone buildings, is almost as pretty as the produce. **B**

3 Hobart – Strahan

The West Coast of Tassie is wild – in the best possible way. The air seems cleaner, the lakes cooler, the colors brighter, the waterfalls larger... as you'll discover when the mist envelops you at tiered Russell Falls. This is part of Mt. Field National Park, the state's most diverse nature reserve. Speaking of breaking records, Lake St. Clair is the deepest of its kind in Australia, carved by ice during glaciations over the last two million years. Pausing here puts life into perspective. Skirt the World Heritage listed Franklin-Gordon Wild Rivers National Park, before arriving in Strahan. Small in population but big in personality, the town overlooks the immense Macquarie Harbour. Did you know it's seven times the size of Sydney Harbour? **Hotel: Strahan Village. B D**

4 Strahan – Cradle Mountain

No day that involves a cruise is a bad day. Even better if it's the deep, dark waters of the far-flung Tassie's Gordon River. Soak up the silence of this untouched wilderness area on your Gordon River cruise en route to Sarah Island, the state's oldest convict settlement. Today, the island's haunting ruins have been reclaimed by nature, enveloped

by forest and twisting vines. Your commute toward immense Cradle Mountain-Lake St. Clair National Park sees you travel through tiny mining towns scattered amongst the mountainous wild terrain. Rest up – Cradle Mountain awaits. **Hotel: Cradle Mountain, 2 nights. B L D**

5 Cradle Mountain Sightseeing

Cradle Mountain owes much of its protected status to early settlers Gustav and Kate Weindorfer, who were pivotal in championing the conservation of the area. Their efforts are remembered at Waldheim Chalet, their former home, set among myrtles and King Billy pines that gradually give way to moss covered ancient rainforests and deep river gorges, snow-tipped peaks and wild alpine moorlands. This is the heart of the Tasmanian Wilderness World Heritage Area, carved by glacial waterways like Dove Lake. You can see why Bennetts wallabies, echidnas, wombats and pademelons live here – you, too, will find it hard to tear yourself away. If you're a night person, consider enlisting to spot Tassie's nocturnal animals, at a devil sanctuary. **B D**

6 Cradle Mountain – Launceston

Tasmania has its fair share of award-winning gin and whisky distilleries, as well as small boutique breweries. Among them is a seaside tap house found in the petite town of Penguin. If there's a place with a cuter name, we're yet to locate it on a map. Sit back and enjoy a tasting paddle of local brew whilst taking in the views overlooking glorious Bass Strait. Steel yourself for the ciders fermented at Mount Gnomon Farm. Passionate farmer, Guy Robertson, will pour brews made from apples grown in his orchard, as you sit down to a paddock-to-plate lunch. Then you're on your way to quirky Sheffield, the 'Town of Murals', before traveling through the Meander Valley to Launceston. **Hotel: Grand Chancellor. B L**

7 Farewell from Launceston

Your final day ends on a high in Cataract Gorge, a rare natural phenomenon on the outskirts of Launceston. There's bushland on one side, and a Victorian garden replete with ferns and exotic plants on the other. Get a different perspective of the green cavern on the scenic chairlift, zipping you over the water to a lofty lookout. You can't leave Tassie without sipping one of its cool-climate wines, perhaps a pinot noir



Cradle Mountain



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6 Breakfasts B 4 Dinners D
 3 Lunches L

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Extensions & Add-Ons

- Start & end your tour in Hobart. See Perfect Tasmania page 44.

or sauvignon blanc enjoyed overlooking the manicured grounds of the Josef Chromy Estate. It's no secret that Tasmania produces some of the best food in Australia – it's the clean air and water, lush landscapes and verdant soils. This all unites to create droolworthy sweet and savory condiments at the Gourmet Sauce Company, overlooking the South Esk River and dramatic Eastern Highlands. Explore the estate's gardens, then sample the oh-so-tasty wares, whether sauces, jams, mustards or relishes with your lunch. This afternoon is yours: if you're not heading home yet, we recommend extending your adventure with a cruise along the Tamar River (own expense). A fitting end to a week of wonderment. **B L**



Josef Chromy Wines



- **START**
- **END**
- ① Number of night stays
- Sightseeing stops



Iconic North

Highlights

Local Connection

The dairy industry is big business in New Zealand, as you'll fast find on a Waikato farm. The stories you'll hear tell you about life on the land.

Cultural Immersion

Discover just how strong Māori culture is at Te Pā Tū Māori Experience, celebrating art, tradition and cuisine.

Make Travel Matter

A guided tour of the Māori Arts & Crafts Institute at Te Puia contributes to its success, committed to preserving and promoting teaching traditional Māori arts and crafts.

World Class Nature

If you want to be blown away by nature, Huka Falls is the place to go. This mighty waterfall sees 220,000 liters of water per second thunder over an 11-meter ridge.

1 Welcome to Auckland

New Zealand's largest city is blessed when it comes to water views – on one side of the isthmus is Manukau Harbor; on the other, Waitemata. Exploring pretty precincts at your leisure, gazing out over a flurry of yachts, you'll begin to understand why Auckland is fondly known as the 'City of Sails'. Meet your fellow NZ vacation travel companions for a Welcome Reception dinner at The Grill, and share stories of your day-one wanderings. **Hotel: Horizon by SkyCity, 2 nights. D**

2 Auckland Sightseeing & Free Time

Remember all those sails you spotted on Auckland's harbor yesterday? They come from a long and fascinating history of boat-building and sailing, as you'll discover on an America's Cup tour at the New Zealand Maritime Museum. This is a story of migration, innovation, team building and skill. Plus, you get to glimpse one of the few existing replicas of the America's Cup. The water is your backdrop as you skirt the harbor toward dreamy Mission Bay, onward to Bastion Point and the Michael Joseph Savage Memorial. This is the place to get some perspective. Yes, of Auckland and its improbable location, but also of life in general. There's nothing like an epic view to set your soul soaring. If you want tips on how to spend your afternoon post Auckland tour, we have a few ideas. Perhaps a behind-the-scenes All Blacks experience, revealing insights into this record-breaking rugby team. Or take a cruise out to Waiheke Island for an afternoon Explorer Bus tour visiting pristine beaches and the postcard perfect village of Oneroa along with visiting a local vineyard for a seasonal, multi-course lunch with a glass of wine. (all own expense). **B**

3 Auckland – Rotorua

Journey into the countryside for an exclusive family-style Be My Guest lunch in the Red Barn on a dairy farm. Over your farm to table lunch, get a feel for country life as you're invited to roll up your sleeves and make your own butter - butter churners, tiny mason jars and all! The next hot-spot – in every sense of the word – is Rotorua. Visit Te Puia for a guided tour of the New Zealand Maori Arts & Crafts Institute and the Whakarewarewa Thermal Reserve, a staggering valley where geysers pop and thermal springs jettison skywards. **Hotel: Millennium, 2 nights. B L**

4 Rotorua Free Time

Today, choose your own adventure. We have plenty of ideas for the paths you might follow. Optional Rotorua tour sightseeing experiences include relieving NZ vacation-weary limbs in the thermal waters of the Wai Araki Hot Springs & Spa or perhaps you'd prefer to zip across Rotorua's three lakes in an amphibious WWII-era Duck (both own expense). The decision is yours. Tonight, dive deep into Indigenous culture at Te Pā Tū Māori Experience. Hear about Māori history, traditions, and future aspirations across an evening of celebration and feasting. Enjoy a forest kai horotai (seasonal canapés) and chef choice aperitif, followed by a three-course dinner. **B D**

5 Rotorua – Wellington

You'll hear Huka Falls well before you see it – at this natural wonder, a staggering 220,000 liters of water thunder over an 11-meter-high waterfall every second. Photos just don't do it justice; this is an every-sense-heightened experience. The road ahead unfolds in a broad panorama of Lake Taupo, its waters so vivid and blue you'll think someone has taken the glasses off your nose and cleaned them for the first time. The surrounding countryside is one of ridiculous contrast: snow-blanketed mountains and alpine deserts, ancient forests and trout-filled rivers. Traverse the Kapiti Coast to New Zealand's cool little capital, Wellington. **Hotel: Rydges, 2 nights. B D**

6 Wellington Sightseeing & Free Time

Your day in Wellington should – must – begin with a coffee. The city is known for its uber-cool cafés and with coffee in hand you will head out on a city sights tour to take in highlights such as its iconic cable car, parliament and Mt. Victoria. This afternoon is yours to discover Wellington. Your city tour ends at Te Papa Museum of New Zealand, so perhaps call in for a visit. Or visit the first urban completely fenced ecosanctuary of Zealandia Te Māra a Tāne, where the biodiversity of 225 hectares of forest is being restored. Or The Lord of the Rings Movie Locations, including the famous Weta Workshop (all own expense). Tonight, there are so many restaurants and bars to choose from, you'll need a guidebook. Ask us for recommendations or explore at your leisure. Because every NZ vacation needs a little down time. **B**



Te Puia, Rotorua



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7 DAYS

Departure Dates

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Mar	04, 11, 18, 25	Nov	04, 11, 18, 25
		Dec	02, 09, 16, 30
		2026	
		Jan	06, 13, 20, 27
		Feb	03, 10, 17, 24
		Mar	03, 10, 17, 24

Dining

6 Breakfasts B
1 Lunch L

3 Dinners D

Flight Information

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7 Farewell from Wellington

It's been a week of epic sights and adventures in the North Island. All good things must come to an end, but there's time to enjoy one last breakfast with your travel companions. **B**



Huka Falls

- **START**
- **END**
- ① Number of night stays
- Sightseeing stop



New Zealand Panorama

Highlights

📍 Local Connection

Real Country South Island farmer shares what life on the land is like, while your local guide at Waitomo Caves reveals the sparkly creatures living within the land.

🌿 Cultural Immersion

New Zealand people celebrate their heritage at every chance possible, as you'll discover at Te Puia, with locally sourced cuisine and an authentic Māori twist in each dish, and an exhilarating cultural performance.

🐙 Make Travel Matter

The national symbol of New Zealand, kiwi birds are as adorable as they are endangered. Your visit to a hatchery supports breeding programs to ensure their future.

🌋 World Class Nature

Blessed with snow-capped peaks and vast mirror-like lakes, Queenstown is the kind of place that makes you want to instantly become a New Zealand resident.



1 Welcome to Queenstown

Queenstown deserves its destination crown. After your transfer on arrival, you'll have plenty of time to explore before time at your leisure. Hit us up for dining recommendations. **Hotel: Millennium, 3 nights.**

2 Queenstown & Surrounds

Get a taste of country life combined with good old fashioned southern hospitality as you meet a 'Southern Girl' local farmer at Real Country. Have demonstrations of Horse communication and Working sheep dog mustering. Try your hand at a Stock whip cracking lesson, and feed and interact with the friendly farm animals, as part of this **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience. For every guest, we donate funds to The Fairlight Foundation, Advancing Women in Agriculture. Then you'll think you've stepped back in time when you arrive in the former gold-mining village of Arrowtown. Come dusk, cruise across Lake Wakatipu aboard the TSS Earnslaw; the only thing more inspiring than the peaks of the Remarkables that surround is the festive atmosphere welcoming you to Walter Peak High Country Farm, where a gourmet barbecue Highlight Dinner at the Colonel's Homestead awaits. **B D**

3 Queenstown Free Time

You clearly need more than one day to appreciate Queenstown and its surrounds. And when we say surrounds, we mean Milford Sound. Today sign up for a tour to Milford Sound. Travel through World Heritage listed Fiordland National Park for exceptional views as you pass through dense rainforest and pass by towering mountains. On arrival to Milford Sound embark on a cruise to experience the eighth wonder of the World. Don't be surprised if you see dolphins and seals playing in the wake of waterfalls. If you like things fast-paced, opt for wine tour or jet-boating (all own expense). You are in the adventure capital of New Zealand, after all. **B**

4 Queenstown – Auckland – Rotorua

Touching down in Auckland, you'll board your coach for the drive to Rotorua, the cultural capital, where you can immerse yourself in Māori history and culture. **Hotel: Millennium, 2 nights. B**

5 Rotorua

Your visit to the National Kiwi Hatchery is guided by passionate conservationists and will give you fascinating insights into New Zealand's national bird on this rewarding **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience. Rotorua's landscapes are reminiscent of a sci-fi movie set where mud pops from bubbling geysers and steam rushes skywards. See it firsthand on your visit to Whakarewarewa, the world's only living Māori village where people live on a daily basis, using natural geothermal resources to cook, bathe and heat their homes as they have for centuries. This evening, embark on the Te Pō experience at Te Puia. Learn about Māori history and culture on this guided experience, which includes hangi-inspired cuisine and a cultural performance in a finely carved meeting house, Te Aronui a Rua. Witness a pōwhiri (traditional welcome), waiata (song), mōteatea (traditional chant) poi and haka. It ends on a high at the Pohutu Geyser, where, armed with a hot chocolate, you'll view one of New Zealand's geothermal wonderlands. **B D**

6 Rotorua – Auckland

Set your GPS for the Waitomo Caves. While cruising cavernous waterways, your route is cast in a magical light by thousands of glowworms. The next thing that glows on your horizon is Auckland. This evening, share the stories of your New Zealand Panorama tour at a Farewell Dinner with your Travel Director and companions at The Grill, celebrating Aotearoa's culinary treasures. **Hotel: Horizon by SkyCity. B D**

7 Farewell from Auckland

Short, sweet, and packed with highlights – how else to describe this wonderful week? **B**



Real Country



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		Dec	05
		Jan	23
		Feb	06, 20
		Mar	13, 27

Dining

6 Breakfasts B

3 Dinners D

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National Kiwi Hatchery

- START
- END
- ① Number of night stays
- Sightseeing stop



Contrasts of New Zealand

Highlights

Local Connection

Meet a local farming family on a Sheep and Cattle Farm in the Hurunui Hills.

Cultural Immersion

Discover just how strong Māori culture is at the Te Pō Māori Experience at Te Puia, celebrating art, tradition and cuisine. Bring your appetite for exciting Māori cuisine.

Make Travel Matter

Operation Nest Egg may sound James Bond-esque, but it's actually a National Kiwi Hatchery project to care for the country's kiwi population.

World Class Nature

South Island countryside never fails to impress, as you'll discover on your Milford Sound/Piopiotahti Cruise.

1 Welcome to Auckland

New Zealand's largest city is also one of its prettiest, as you'll discover exploring at your leisure. Arrive early to linger in its hip harborside precincts, where galleries and design-driven stores await. You'll have worked up an appetite by the time you meet your fellow travel companions for a Welcome Reception and dinner at The Grill. Start your Auckland tour on a high, we say. **Hotel: Horizon by SkyCity, 2 nights. D**

2 Auckland Sightseeing

After a relaxed start, set your sights firmly on New Zealand's national game: rugby. The interactive All Blacks Experience explores an introduction to the game as a part of New Zealand culture. Afterwards get the lay of the land on a city sightseeing tour including Mission Bay, Bastion Point and the Michael Joseph Savage Memorial to New Zealand's first Labour Prime Minister. Admire the sunken pool and landscaped gardens as you're treated to sweeping views of Waitemata Harbour and the North Shore. **B**

3 Auckland – Rotorua

Get ready for a much-anticipated trip to Hobbiton Movie Set. Upon arrival, set off on a guided tour through the 12-acre set. You'll have plenty of time for photo opportunities in the interactive hobbit hole and complimentary drink at The Green Dragon, and the Mill. After a stop for lunch (own expense) continue to Rotorua. This evening, embark on the Te Pō experience at Te Puia. Learn about Māori history and culture on this guided experience, which includes hangi-inspired cuisine and a cultural performance in a finely carved meeting house, Te Aronui a Rua. It ends on a high at the Pohutu Geyser, where, armed with a hot chocolate, you'll view one of New Zealand's geothermal wonderlands. **Hotel: Millennium. B D**

4 Rotorua – Auckland – Queenstown

Your visit to the National Kiwi Hatchery is guided by passionate conservationists and will give you fascinating insights into New Zealand's national bird on this rewarding **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER**® Experience. The feel-good vibes will follow you all the way to Queenstown, the self-proclaimed adventure capital of New Zealand. It makes perfect sense – there are ski fields, white-water river and bridges strapped with bungee

cords wherever you turn. And then there's the dining scene; Queenstown is home to some of the country's most awarded restaurants. Whether you're in the mood for bulging burgers or lakeside tapas, ask us for recommendations on this leg of your New Zealand tour.

Hotel: Millennium, 3 nights. B

5 Milford Sound/Piopiotahti Cruise

Bring your stamina and sense of adventure – things get a little wild today. Nature rules as you skirt Queenstown's gleaming Lake Wakatipu, and traverse the Devil's Staircase to Te Anau, the alpine gateway to UNESCO World Heritage listed Fiordland National Park. Once you've paused to admire the drama at Mirror Lakes, Knobs Flat, Hollyford Valley lookout and Cleddau Valley, you'll begin to understand why Rudyard Kipling called this the 'Eighth Wonder of the World'. You haven't even seen Bowen Falls or Milford Sound/Piopiotahti yet... Onboard your nature cruise, enjoy commentary from your eagle-eyed Naturalist guide, who not only narrates on the immense geological history of the Fjord, but will point out fur seals and dolphins should they choose to come out to play. The cruise includes a delicious picnic lunch. **B L**

6 Queenstown Free Time

Take today at your own pace. Like things fast and furious? Feel the wind in your hair on a high-octane jet boat ride, perhaps. Prefer to be able to talk (and drink wine) while you cruise? Glide across Lake Wakatipu aboard the historic TSS Earnslaw to Walter Peak High Country Farm for a guided farm tour, including morning or afternoon tea, in a stunning alpine setting (both own expense). Wherever you wander, be sure to save space for tonight's Highlight Dinner at Postmasters Café, a historic Arrowtown cottage replete with picket fence and Instagrammable gardens. **B D**

7 Queenstown – Lake Tekapo

Whether pinot noir grapes or cherries, things grow well in the fertile Central Otago region of the South Island. Get a taste for the area's plump stone fruit at the stall of a local orchard. Is it Michael Schumacher's Benetton F1 car or the \$4.2-million Aston Martin Vulcan that draws crowds to the Highlands Motorsport Museum? Discover some of the rarest cars in NZ motorsports history during your visit. Mountain drama is



Hobbiton Movie Set



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	Sep 05		
Jan 03, 10, 17, 24, 31	Oct 03, 10, 17		
Feb 07, 14, 21, 28	Nov 07, 14, 21, 28		
Mar 07, 14, 21, 28	Dec 05, 12, 19		

Dining

9 Breakfasts B
2 Lunches L

5 Dinners D

Flight Information

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your backdrop en route to Lake Tekapo, with water so turquoise it looks like a Renaissance painting. This part of the country is ravishing and remote; the lack of light pollution means dazzling Southern Hemisphere stargazing at UNESCO World Heritage listed Aoraki Mackenzie International Dark Sky Reserve. It may be a late night, but tonight's star gazing experience at a purpose-built observation crater with expert astronomy guides is bound to be a highlight. If there was ever a NZ experience that put life in perspective, this is it. **Hotel: Pepper's Bluewater Resort. B D**

8 Lake Tekapo – Christchurch

The Canterbury region of the east coast is a rustic union of grassy plains, mirror-like lakes and snow-capped mountains, the kind of landscape that you might see on postcards. Arrive in the beautiful English city of Christchurch to view the sights. The city is not only rebuilding itself after the devastating 2010/11 earthquakes but is changing the way architects think about design. Case in point the mind-bending Cathedral, made largely of cardboard, and Turanga, the gold-clad central library.

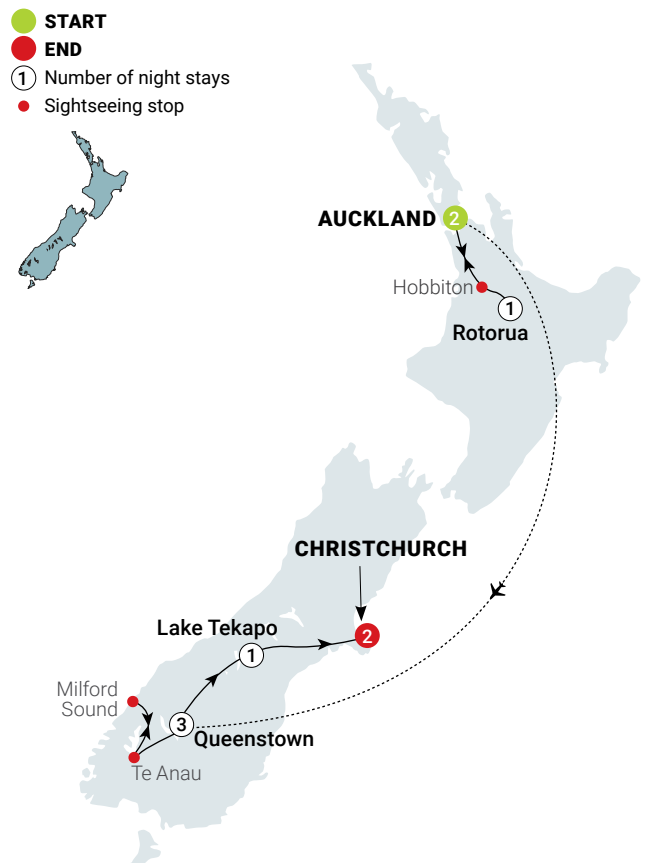
Hotel: Distinction, 2 nights. B

9 Christchurch

Travel north through rolling countryside to Hurunui Hills, a high country farm in North Canterbury. Enjoy warm Kiwi hospitality with the Bamford Family, who have been farming at Hurunui since 1884 with six generations focused on producing premium Merino sheep wool and Angus cattle. Soak up stunning scenery, meet the farm animals & discover what it is like to live off the land on this unique Be My Guest experience. Continue to a local vineyard, Waipara Springs Winery, where it's time to relax and enjoy a platter-style lunch among the vines. A big day leads to a big evening joining your Travel Director and travel mates for a celebratory Farewell Dinner featuring produce from the Canterbury region. **B L D**

10 Farewell from Christchurch

You've traveled hundreds of kilometers across two islands, likely taken thousands of photos, and made countless memories and new friends. The only thing left to do is plan your next trip to New Zealand. **B**



New Zealand Uncovered

Highlights

Local Connection

Enjoy an exclusive Be My Guest lunch at the Red Barn, a Waikato dairy farm.

Cultural Immersion

Māori culture is celebrated across the country, no more so than at Te Pā Tū Māori Experience. Be immersed in art, tradition, culture... and innovative local cuisine.

Make Travel Matter

Hear from the founder about the work being done to address biodiversity needs in the Kaikōura region, by developing a wildlife hospital and conservation center.

World Class Nature

A limestone landscape of pancake-shaped rock formations, blowholes and surge pools sure have carved out a name for themselves. Punakaiki or Pancake Rocks are West Coasters that are known the world over.



1 Welcome to Auckland

Auckland is the kind of place you could lose yourself in for a couple of weeks. Arrive at your leisure and explore new waterfront precincts, or just ready yourself to meet fellow travelers at dinner. **Hotel: Horizon by SkyCity, 2 nights. D**

2 Auckland

Peek behind the scenes of maritime racing history on the New Zealand Maritime Museum's America's Cup Tour. Your Travel Director then takes you around the city, pausing at Bastion Point for epic photo opportunities. **B**

3 Auckland – Rotorua

Leave Auckland behind and journey into the countryside for an exclusive family-style Be My Guest lunch in the Red Barn on a dairy farm. The next hot spot – in every sense of the word – on your NZ vacation is Rotorua. Visit Te Puia to see and support Māori artisans at work, then be guided through the steamy Whakarewarewa Thermal Reserve, a staggering valley where geysers pop and thermal springs jettison skywards. **Hotel: Millennium, 2 nights. B L**

4 Rotorua

Today, choose your own adventure. We have plenty of ideas for the paths you might follow. Tonight, dive deep into Māori culture at Te Pā Tū Māori Experience, an important hub keeping tradition, art and music alive. Oh, and exciting Māori cuisine. Enjoy forest kai horotai (seasonal canapés) and chef choice aperitif, followed by a seasonal three-course dinner. **B D**

5 Rotorua – Wellington

Say goodbye to Rotorua and hello to the raging rapids of Huka Falls, where 220,000 litres of water barrel over this massive waterfall every second. Your outlook then unfolds into the aquamarine waters of Lake Taupo. Traverse the volcanic Central Plateau to NZ's cool little capital of Wellington. **Hotel: Rydges, 2 nights. B D**

6 Wellington

Your day in Wellington should – must – begin with a coffee. The city is known for its uber-cool cafés you will head out on city sights tour to take in highlights such as its iconic cable car, parliament, and Mt. Victoria. Your tour ends at Te Papa, the national Museum of New Zealand. **B**

7 Wellington – Kaikōura

This morning cruise the Cook Strait into tranquil Queen Charlotte Sound and continue to Kaikōura, a marine life haven. On arrival be treated to a biodiversity talk from Sabrina Leucht, founder of Kaikōura Wildlife Centre Trust, and learn about the work the trust is doing towards Wildlife rescue and rehabilitation, at this **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience. Tonight, dine at Hiku, which celebrates what Kaikōura is all about - kai moana and dramatic sea and mountain scapes. **Hotel: Sudima. B D**

8 Kaikōura – Christchurch

Enjoy a relaxed start this morning or sign up for one of several local wildlife experiences available. Follow the coast to Christchurch, home to innovative architecture, art institutions and restaurants. **Hotel: Distinction. B**

9 Christchurch – Twizel

From its cardboard-crafted Cathedral to its gold-clad central library, Christchurch has well and truly rebuilt itself since the 2010/11 earthquakes. But South Island locals still cherish a simple life, as you'll discover over a Be My Guest afternoon tea with retired farmers Angie and Stan Taylor at their home on the edge of Lake Tekapo. **Hotel: Distinction Mackenzie Country. B AT D**

10 Twizel – Dunedin

Oamaru has a rich history and proud heritage, enriched by passionate and perhaps quirky locals. Explore the shops, galleries and traditional crafts before landing in Dunedin. **Hotel: Scenic Southern Cross. B D**

11 Dunedin – Te Anau

From sheep farms to rugged mountains, today is one of contrasts. Venture into Fiordland National Park toward the South Island's largest lake and the lakeside town of Te Anau. You'll experience the thrill of jet boating on scenic Lake Manapouri, home to Pomona Island, where native birds are under threat - and this **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience is helping to protect them through a community-based conservation project. **Hotel: Distinction Te Anau. B D**

12 Te Anau – Queenstown

Your journey towards Milford Sound/Piopiotahi traverses native rainforest, alluvial flats and meadows, with mirrored lakes, thundering waterfalls,



The Red Barn



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Dining

16 Breakfasts B
2 Lunches L

1 Afternoon Tea AT
11 Dinners D

Flight Information

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dramatic rocky ranges and millennia-old valleys. Your Milford Sound/ Piopiotahi boat tour, cruising through this wild expanse, provides enough drama for an entire travel year – you still have the streets of Queenstown to explore. **Hotel: Millennium, 2 nights. B**

13 Queenstown Free Time

Spend time at leisure in the adventure capital. Your day ends with a cruise across Lake Wakatipu on the historic TSS Earnslaw. On arrival at Walter Peak High Country Farm enjoy a gourmet barbecue Highlight Dinner and farm show. **B D**

14 Queenstown – Franz Josef/Waiiau

From Arrowtown's tree-lined avenues to Central Otago's gleaming lakes, nature rules. Alpine scenery tiers into rainforest along the West Coast. Welcome to the town of Franz Josef, home to Franz Josef Glacier/Kā Roimata o Hine Hukatere, which is ideally explored on a scenic helicopter flight (own expense). **Hotel: Scenic Franz Josef Glacier. B D**

15 Franz Josef/Waiiau – Punakaiki

Explore the small but lively Franz Josef/Waiiau village before venturing to Hokitika, home of New Zealand's native jade greenstone. Then steel yourself for the Pancake Rocks and Blowholes of Punakaiki, a sliver of South Island geology that is as humbling as it is awe-inspiring. After a spectacular day, spend the night at an eco-friendly, waterfront resort. **Hotel: Scenic Punakaiki. B D**

16 Punakaiki – Christchurch

Venture into the Pounamu Pathway. Embark on a unique self-guided journey, as you make your way through this extraordinary storytelling experience. We've got you sorted for lunch at legendary Monteith's Brewery. Then all aboard for the scenic TranzAlpine train back to Christchurch, through tunnels and over viaducts, with panoramic views of snow-capped peaks, icy rivers, beech forests, gorges and river valleys. **Hotel: Distinction. B L D**

17 Farewell from Christchurch

How many travel highs can you pack into a vacation? This itinerary has certainly pushed the boundaries. Now all you have to do is go home and sort through all those photos. **B**



Southern Spectacular

Highlights

📍 Local Connection

Visit retired sheep farmers, Angie and Stan Taylor, who serve up a mean afternoon tea at their home on the edge of Lake Tekapo and tell you about life on the land.

🏞️ Cultural Immersion

Follow in the footsteps of explorers, traders, guardians, and pioneers and journey through the four connected hubs bound together by the Pounamu Pathway.

🌿 Make Travel Matter

Through your scenic jet boat ride in Lake Manapouri, you'll contribute to Pomona Island Charitable Trust's conservation efforts to restore the largest inland island in New Zealand to its natural state.

🌍 World Class Nature

Snow-capped mountains, a mirror-like lake, white-water rivers and vine-laced fields. Queenstown is blessed with natural assets.

1 Welcome to Christchurch

At once forward-thinking and fun, Christchurch is the kind of city you could lose yourself in for a week – or more. You have this afternoon, so make the most of it. Time to meet your fellow adventure-seekers over a couple of wines and local canapés at a Welcome Reception. **Hotel: Distinction.**

2 Christchurch – Twizel

If you didn't get your Christchurch bearings yesterday, you certainly will on today's city tour, taking in the record-breaking Cardboard Cathedral – who knew you could build a church from cardboard? The buildings of the city fade into a patchwork of farms as you ease across the Canterbury Plains towards Lake Tekapo. Here, retired farmers Angie and Stan Taylor welcome you to their home with a slap-up Be My Guest afternoon tea and tales about life on the land. And this land is truly dramatic, backdropped by powdery mountains and cut with turquoise lakes, none quite as pretty as Lake Tekapo, on its banks the stone-hewn Church of the Good Shepherd. **Hotel: Distinction Mackenzie Country. B AT D**

3 Twizel – Dunedin

Oamaru has a rich history and proud heritage, enriched by passionate and perhaps quirky locals. Explore the shops, galleries and traditional crafts within some of the Southern Hemisphere's most complete Victorian streetscapes. You're en route to Dunedin, replete with rolling green meadows and a grand stone castle. It kind of feels like you've been transported to Scotland – small wonder it's known as the 'Edinburgh of the South'. Afternoon at your leisure, we recommend a visit to Speight's Brewery – a New Zealand institution. There's always that castle to explore... Larnach may not have the history of Scotland's grand estates, but it's just as pretty in our humble opinion (own expense). **Hotel: Scenic Southern Cross. B D**

4 Dunedin – Te Anau

Leave Dunedin and pass through sheep-farming countryside as you venture into World Heritage listed Fiordland National Park, a place of yawning gorges and gem-like glaciers, and azure lakes so large they have their own islands. Case in point Pomona Island, where a charitable trust of passionate volunteers works to restore flora and fauna on this **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience. Take a thrilling jet boat ride down the Waiau River to Lake Manapouri and if that's not enough water for one day, you may choose to cruise to the iconic Glowworm Caves (own expense). Can we tempt you? **Hotel: Distinction Te Anau. B D**

5 Te Anau – Queenstown

Nature rules again today, from the moment you depart Te Anau and begin your journey deep into the heart of Fiordland National Park. Think native rainforests, beech forests, alluvial flats and meadows; Mirror Lakes perfectly reflecting mountain scenery; and precipitous lookouts holding guard over alpine rivers. And this is just the entrée. The main course is your Milford Sound/Piopirotahi tour, where you cruise in the company of fur seals that bask on the rocks, and gaze at misty escarpments so sheer they appear to cleave off the edge of the Earth. You're in the company of a naturalist who knows every nook and cranny of this mighty cavern and will point out flora and fauna you would have never spotted on your own. **Hotel: Millennium, 2 nights. B**

6 Queenstown Free Time

Take today at your own pace. Like things fast and furious? Feel the wind in your hair on a high-octane jet boat ride, perhaps. Prefer wine to get your heart started? See why Central Otago makes some of the world's most raved about cool-climate pinots on a cellar door tour (both own expense). Reunite with your companions come dusk to glide across Lake Wakatipu aboard the historic TSS Earnslaw, your barbecue Highlight Dinner served on the grounds of Walter Peak High Country Farm. **B D**



Church of the Good Shepherd



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7 Queenstown – Franz Josef /Waiau

In the shadow of the Remarkables, Queenstown is pretty spectacular. But it has some stiff good-looks competition from neighboring Arrowtown, with its movie-set tree-lined avenues and 19th-century buildings that once housed gold-rush fortune-seekers. Things grow well in this verdant countryside, from cherries to pinot grapes and all manner of stone fruit. Prepare for a flavor explosion at a roadside stall run by the interminable Mrs Jones, a local institution. The next explosion is a visual one as you arrive in the town of Franz Josef/Waiau, home to Franz Josef Glacier/Kā Roimata o Hine Hukatere. Get some perspective of this immense ice fall on a scenic helicopter flight – you may even get to land on it (own expense). **Hotel: Scenic Franz Josef Glacier. B D**

8 Franz Josef/Waiau – Punakaiki

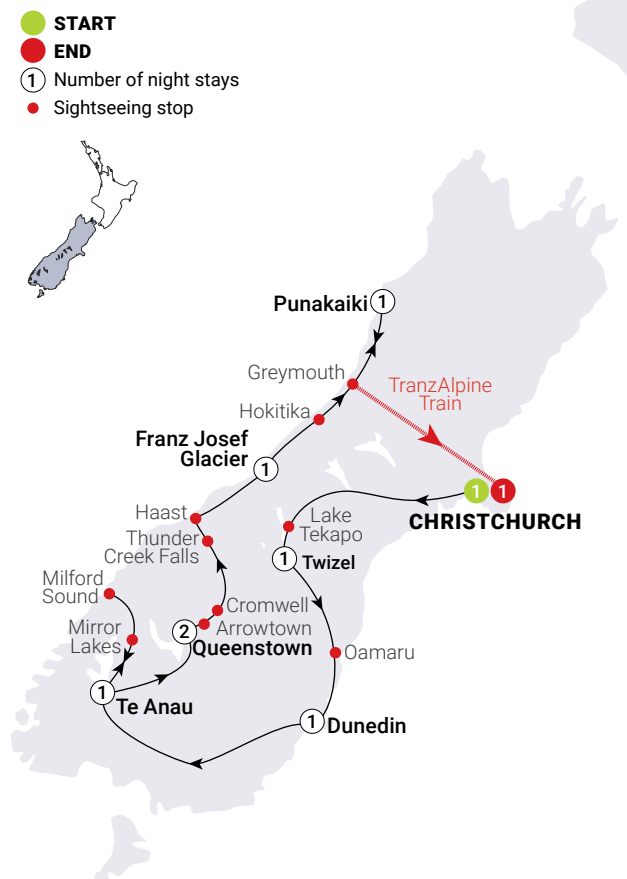
Explore the small but lively Franz Josef/Waiau village before venturing to Hokitika, home of New Zealand’s native jade greenstone. Then soak in the natural surroundings as you head to Punakaiki to view the Pancake Rocks and Blowholes, where waves thunder through cracks in the Earth. This is the soundtrack that lulls you to sleep at tonight’s eco-resort. **Hotel: Scenic Punakaiki. B D**

9 Punakaiki – Christchurch

Join us at Pounamu Pathway. Embark on a unique self-guided journey, as you make your way through this extraordinary storytelling experience born from a collaboration with the Weta Workshop. We’ve got you sorted for lunch at legendary Monteith’s Brewery. All aboard for the scenic TranzAlpine train back to Christchurch, through tunnels and over viaducts, with panoramic views of snow-capped peaks, icy rivers, beech forests, gorges and river valleys. **Hotel: Distinction. B L D**

10 Farewell from Christchurch

Wait, the last 10 days flew by. Return home with new friends, a full SD card on your camera – and even more memories. **B**



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✂ Flexible Vacations

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Make Travel Matter

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🏔 Natural Wonders

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Northern Territory Explorer

Highlights

✂ Flexible Vacations

Life in the Northern Territory moves at a leisurely pace. Choose your own leisurely adventure during your free time in Uluru.

📍 Iconic Sites

Have your camera poised: we're taking you from the wilds of Kakadu to the escarpments of Nitmiluk Gorge and epic landscapes of Uluru.

Make Travel Matter

Visiting Aboriginal-owned and -operated Pudukal Aboriginal Cultural Experience helps ensure the world's oldest culture thrives into the future.

🌄 Natural Wonders

Sunrise over Uluru has this incredible ability to make you forget everything else around you and just focus on the now.

1 Welcome to Darwin

Get to know the steamy NT capital at your own pace – you'll fast find that the characters here are almost as colorful as the sunsets. You'll enjoy the latter over drinks and dinner with your Travel Director and fellow adventure-seekers. A tasty entrée to your 11-day odyssey. **Hotel: Vibe Darwin Waterfront, 2 nights. D**

2 Darwin

Today is about getting your Darwin bearings on a city tour revealing the events that have shaped the city over the decades, from wars to natural disasters. You'll be a Darwin expert after visiting attractions like East Point Military Reserve and the MAGNT (Museum and Art Gallery Northern Territory). The afternoon is at your leisure. If you're at a loss for ideas, we can point you in the direction of the Royal Flying Doctor Service Tourist Facility, perhaps, or the Mindil Beach Sunset Market, loaded with 200+ stalls. Grab a bite and watch the day end with your feet in the sand. **B**

3 Darwin – Kakadu

Aboriginal culture is strong in this part of Australia, and it's kept alive by Traditional Landowners on this morning's tour. 100% Aboriginal owned and operated family business, Pudukal offers cultural and nature-based cultural experiences from the Adelaide River Flood Plains on Aboriginal owned land Limilngan-Wulna. On this **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience, dive deep into First Nations heritage, highlighting art, music and bush tucker. Your next deep dive is into the heart of Kakadu, a World Heritage listed national park that is one of Australia's most important living ecosystems. **Hotel: Mercure Kakadu Crocodile, Jabiru, 2 nights. B D**

4 Kakadu National Park

Kakadu is vast, spanning almost 20,000 square kilometers. The best way to gain appreciation for just how immense it really is from the air on a highly recommended morning flight (own expense). Now that you have your bearings, take to the land to discover ancient Aboriginal rock art and cruise the wildlife-packed Yellow Water Billabong to search for enormous saltwater crocs – your eagle-eyed local cruise guide knows where to look. **B**

5 Kakadu – Katherine

From one glorious national park to another... today's backdrop is the escarpments of Nitmiluk National Park, carved out over millions of years. Cruising through Nitmiluk Gorge is a humbling experience even before you know the region's history. Hear the ancient story of the cicada, embodying the spiritual connection between the Jawoyn people and their land. **Hotel: Knotts Crossing Resort. B D**

6 Katherine – Tennant Creek

If the Elsey Homestead looks familiar, that's because it starred in the 1982 Aussie drama *We of the Never Never*. Today it's better known for its Mataranka thermal hot springs. Pop on your swimsuit and have a soothing soak, the magical setting surrounded by palms. The only thing more refreshing is a cold beverage at the Daly Waters Pub, self-declared as Australia's 'original outback pub'. You can imagine the kind of swagger the locals bring. Visitors are encouraged to leave their mark as well; a memento, something of their own. **Hotel: Bluestone Motor Inn. B D**

7 Tennant Creek – Alice Springs

The Stuart Highway is long (2,700 kilometers), very straight and very flat. Which makes the appearance of Karlu Karlu (Devils Marbles) on the horizon all the more dramatic. These granite boulders pock the countryside. But they're not just a pretty sight – they're a sacred place for the Aboriginal community reflecting cultural beliefs and serving as a sacred site for ceremonies and storytelling. Get the lay of the land atop Alice Springs' Anzac Hill. From this vantage, the East and West MacDonnell Ranges appear to stretch to the horizon. **Hotel: DoubleTree by Hilton, 2 nights. B**

8 Alice Springs

Visit the Alice Springs Desert Park, home to a vast range of plants and wildlife native to the area. You can really experience the beauty and diversity of this incredible landscape. The Arrernte people, traditional owners of the park, are also on hand to share their local wisdom and knowledge. Save some energy for this afternoon's visit to the historic Telegraph Station – the reason the town was formed – and School of the Air, to gain an insight into outback and remote learning. **B**



Mataranka Thermal Pool



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11 DAYS

Departure Dates

2025-26 Season	
2025	2025 continued
Apr 16	Jul 02, 16, 23, 30
May 07, 28	Aug 13
Jun 04, 18, 25	

Dining

10 Breakfasts B

5 Dinners D

Flight Information

Day 1: Flights to arrive prior to 3.00pm into Darwin Airport

Day 11: Flights to depart anytime from Ayers Rock Airport

Return Airport to Hotel transfers are not included in the tour price.

Flights to and from your tour are not included in the tour price.

9 Alice Springs – Uluru

From the moment you wake up until the last of day disappears, spiritual Aboriginal culture is all around during today's exploring. Get set to be in awe over stories about the creation of Uluru, the world's largest monolith. It's particularly pretty at sunset when the fading rays change the desert's color with every sip of your sparkling wine and nibbles. Choose to extend your evening under the stars with an exclusive Uluru Barbecue Dinner (own expense). **Hotel: Outback Hotel & Lodge, 2 nights. B**

10 Uluru

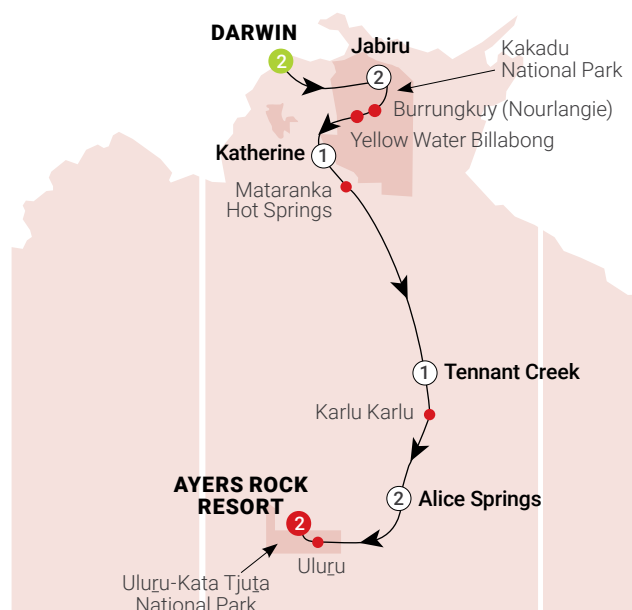
There aren't many things worth getting up in the dark for. Sunrise over Uluru is one. It's a magical time of day, the shifting light casting the countryside aglow. Exploring the base on an Uluru tour, you'll begin to understand why this part of the country is so special to the Anangu, who have called the region home for millennia. Go at your own pace this afternoon. We wouldn't blame you for taking a dip in the resort pool to cool off. But if you want to see Uluru in another different light, opt to chopper around it on a scenic helicopter flight (own expense). You'll have plenty of stories to tell over your Farewell Dinner. **B D**

11 Farewell from Uluru

Another reason to rise early: to catch the Field of Light art installation by artist Bruce Munro that blankets the desert floor (own expense). Your spirit will glow just as brightly as you bid farewell to this epic Northern Territory tour. **B**



- START
- END
- ① Number of night stays
- Sightseeing stops



South Australian Outback Adventure

Highlights

✂ Flexible Vacations

Take a flight over mighty Lake Eyre, or if terra firma is more your thing, stay on the coach to Coober Pedy to experience more of the famous Oodnadatta Track with your experienced Driver Guide.

📍 Iconic Sites

Explore Farina, one of Australia's most famous ghost towns, and enjoy a tour of Coober Pedy where 70% of the population live underground.

🏠 Make Travel Matter

Arkaroola has established an education and research foundation to foster an interest in science, education and conservation. AAT Kings donates \$10 for every guest who visits.

🌳 Natural Wonders

See prehistoric river systems as you fly over Lake Eyre, Australia's largest inland lake.

1 Welcome to Adelaide

The South Australian capital often flies under the radar – locals like it that way, happy to keep their buzzing dining precincts, glorious gardens and on-your-doorstep wineries to themselves. But the secret is well and truly out, and over the course of the afternoon you'll discover just how diverse Adelaide really is. Touring the city after your welcome drink, you'll cover every interest base: sports (Adelaide Oval), horticulture (the Botanic Garden), culture (the Art Gallery of South Australia) and food (Adelaide Central Market). Tonight, why now wander up to the foodie hub of North Terrace? The city offers plenty of eateries in which to while away your evening. **Hotel: HotelMOTEL.**

2 Adelaide – Ikara-Flinders Ranges National Park

You don't have to travel far from Adelaide to be surrounded by vines. In fact, just 1.5 hours north lies the Clare Valley, and therein one of Australia's most awarded wineries. Knappstein Enterprise Winery's roots reach back to 1878, which yields extremely tasty drops, as you'll discover at the cellar door before lunch in the Clare Valley's atmospheric central town. It's the best way to ease into the wide-open, otherworldly spaces of the Flinders Ranges – your commute is a short journey by coach, but it transports you to ancient landscapes, some 800 million years in the making and home to the Adnyamathanha people for tens of thousands of years. The First Nations community owns and manages your base for the night, Wilpena Pound Resort, and they'll welcome you with spirit and soul. **Hotel: Wilpena Pound Resort. B D**

3 Wilpena Pound – Arkaroola

The cliffs and craters and ravishing red rocks of the Flinders Ranges shine brightly in the morning sun, your outlook particularly pretty from Wangara Lookout. From this vantage, you'll enjoy expansive views over the natural amphitheatre that is Wilpena Pound. It's an awe-inspiring way to start the day, before your journey carves north through dramatic gorges. Keep your eyes peeled for endangered yellow-footed rock wallabies – only 2,250 remain in Australia, and most call this part of the country home. You'll begin to understand why they favor the South Australian outback when you arrive in Arkaroola, characterized by granite mountains and golden

spinifex-covered hillsides and providing a vantage over Lake Frome and the desert beyond. But the real stars here are those overhead, as you'll discover on an astronomy tour that brings the dazzling night sky into full focus. Prepare to be humbled – in the best possible way. **Hotel: Arkaroola Wilderness Sanctuary. B D**

4 Arkaroola – Marree

What was happening in Arkaroola 1.6 billion years ago? On a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience, our local guide will help decode the region's mind-boggling geological history as you navigate the steep slopes and hair-raising ascents of the Ridgetop Track. Plants here are found nowhere else on the planet, and gorges are so vast that they seem to cleave off the edge of the earth. A patina follows your journey northwest to the Ochre Cliffs outside Lyndhurst, where an artist's smudge of fiery hues paints the countryside all the way to the horizon. It's as sacred as it is spectacular, with the Aboriginal community having utilized the rich clay soil in ceremonies for centuries. You can see why this part of Australia was attractive to the 1800s settlers of nearby Farina – but you'll also learn why they departed, leaving an eerie ghost town on the outskirts of Marree, where you'll lay your swimming head for the night. **Hotel: Marree. B L D**

5 Marree – Coober Pedy

Much of the South Australian outback towns exist because of the old Ghan Railway, click-clacking from Adelaide to Darwin. Plenty of history will be revealed on your morning's journey along the Oodnadatta Track, perhaps only outshone by the natural drama of Kati Thanda-Lake Eyre. Australia's largest inland lake is – most of the time – a shimmering saltpan covering hundreds of square kilometers, yet is occasionally transformed by desert downpours into a thriving oasis. You'll have the chance to glimpse it from the air, your bird's-eye view unfolding beneath you like a work of art. Speaking of art – your included scenic flight will also pass over the Anna Creek Painted Hills, a rocky outcrop that literally pops out of the flat desert, creating silhouettes resembling cartoon characters. Touch down to explore the otherworldly countryside before jetting on to your destination, Coober Pedy, brimming with compelling quirks and subterranean adventures. **Hotel: Desert Cave, 2 nights. B**



Lake Eyre Scenic Flight



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8 DAYS

Departure Dates

2025-26 Season	
2025	2025 continued
Apr 19	Sep 06, 20
May 03, 17	Oct 04

Dining

7 Breakfasts B 4 Dinners D
2 Lunches L

Flight Information

Day 1: Flights to arrive prior to 11.00am into Adelaide Airport

Day 8: Flights to depart after 5.00pm from Adelaide Airport

Tour price includes internal-vacation airfare.

Return Airport to Hotel transfers are not included in the tour price.

Flights to and from your tour are not included in the tour price.

6 Coober Pedy

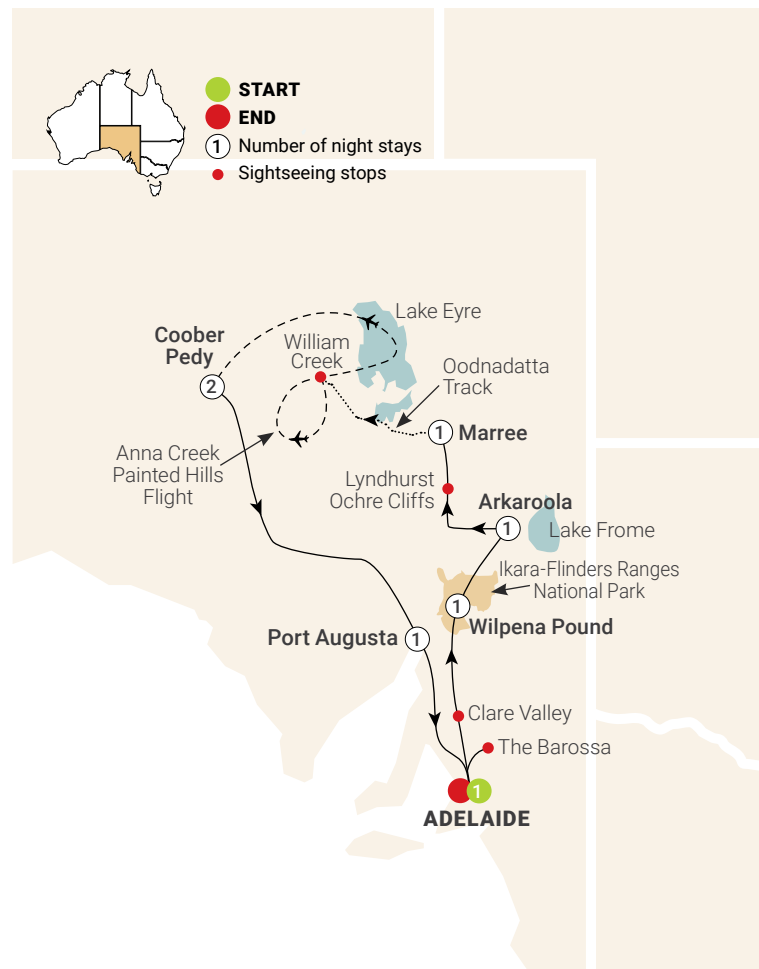
The self-proclaimed 'opal capital of the world', Coober Pedy's many attractions lie primarily below the earth's surface. Once you've explored this fascinating community – including fossicking for opals in surrounding mines – look further afield to Aboriginal owned Kanku-Breakaways Conservation Park, where you'll travel along a stretch of the Dog Fence: a barrier spanning 5,300 kilometers across three states. The only thing more surreal than the natural landscape is the constructed one this afternoon at Coober Pedy Opal Fields Golf Club, where the fairways are dirt and sand. Pick up a club to thump balls around the oil-soaked putting green. And then learn more about the region's history at the Big Winch 360°, a 'circlevision' cinematic experience, where you'll join your fellow travelers for dinner. **B D**

7 Coober Pedy – Port Augusta

It's hard to imagine landscapes more dramatic than those you'll have experienced so far. But the bar is officially raised by those at Lake Hart, another vast saltpan that sparked a community in the 1930s. Today, it's all but deserted, the isolation reminding you that Mother Nature always rules. The vastness of the South Australian outback here was no doubt one of the reasons why it – specifically Woomera – was chosen to become the world's largest military land base. Established by the British in 1947, the countryside here has been a testing base for atomic bombs, ballistic missiles and satellite boosters. It's a piece of Australian history few know of, but that you will leave appreciating, as you head toward your evening's repose in the natural harbor of Port Augusta. **Hotel: Majestic Oasis. B**

8 Port Augusta – The Barossa – Depart Adelaide

The Barossa needs no introduction – your journey today will take in one of Australia's oldest wine regions, and local makers know a thing or two about creating memorable vintages. Lambert Estate reveals some of the finest regional drops, your lunchtime tipples complemented by glorious views over the vines. Cheers to that! You'll arrive in plenty of time for your Adelaide flight, your heart, mind and spirit filled with the natural and human wonders of a region that exudes superlatives. **B L**



Remarkable Adelaide to Kangaroo Island

Seal Bay Conservation Park

Highlights

✂ Flexible Vacations

Enjoy a free afternoon to explore Penneshaw, and head out in Kingscote for dinner at one of the local eateries.

📍 Iconic Sites

From the Remarkable Rocks to Admirals Arch and Seal Bay, Kangaroo Island's natural drama is only outshone by its abundance of wildlife.

🌿 Make Travel Matter

Visits to Seal Bay Conservation Park and Flinders Chase National Park help protect these fragile ecosystems – and the animals that call them home.

🏞 Natural Wonders

Flinders Chase National Park offers flora and fauna encounters, from voluptuous rock formations to jagged sea cliffs and tall stands of eucalypts.



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5 DAYS

Departure Dates

2025-26 Season

2025

May 11, 25

Sep 14, 28

2025 continued

Nov 02

Dining

4 Breakfasts B
1 Lunch L

2 Dinners D

Flight Information

Day 1: Flights to arrive prior to 9.00am into Adelaide Airport (We strongly recommend you arrive the evening prior)

Day 5: Flights to depart anytime from Adelaide Airport.

Return Airport to Hotel transfers are not included in the tour price.

Flights to and from your tour are not included in the tour price.

1 Adelaide - Kangaroo Island

Your Remarkable Adelaide to Kangaroo Island adventure begins today as you travel through the Fleurieu Peninsula. At Jervis Bay it's all aboard as you cruise south across the Great Australian Bight bound for Penneshaw. Enjoy the slow pace with an afternoon at leisure exploring this quaint seaside town. Why not take a walk along the Kangaroo Island Sculpture Trail or just relax at the beach. Enjoy dinner at the hotel with your traveling companions.

Hotel: Seafront Kangaroo Island. D

2 Kangaroo Island

Your Kangaroo Island adventure begins with a visit to Cape Willoughby Conservation Park, home to South Australia's oldest operational lighthouse. Next, you'll discover the history of Kangaroo Island Wool as you embark on a captivating 45-minute journey through time on a working mill tour. Meet the people who have played a crucial role in shaping Kangaroo Island's wool legacy and gain a deeper understanding of the island's history and culture. Working up a thirst, your final stop of the day is to meet Mike, your host at Kangaroo Island Brewery. Mike makes all his beers using rainwater he collects from the roof of his shed. Try a paddle of his liquid gold, or sip wine or cider. **Hotel: Aurora Ozone, 2 nights. B**

3 Kangaroo Island

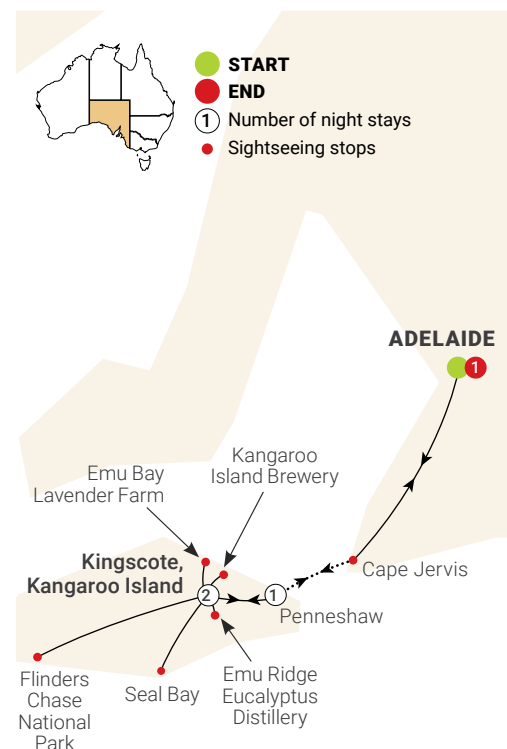
The Remarkable Rocks were formed some 500 million years ago, and cut a dramatic form against the inky blue of the Southern Ocean. Admirals Arch is a natural rock formation and a popular hangout for New Zealand fur seals. They're petite compared to the creatures found at Seal Bay Conservation Park, a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience, where playful seals tumble down the sand to splash about in the water. After lunch at Vivonne Bay Bistro, Peter at Island Beehive will dish up samples of the honey he makes here using Ligurian bees. Meanwhile, the owners of Islander Estate Vineyard will pour you a glass or two and talk through the production of their wines. **B L**

4 Kangaroo Island - Adelaide

Bees are so happy on Kangaroo Island because they have an immense floral bounty to buzz over at Emu Bay Lavender Farm. Maria and Tony have been tending the land for two decades, and today grow 10 varieties of this fragrant flower. Before you leave the island, follow your nose to Emu Ridge Eucalyptus Distillery. Back in Adelaide, celebrate at a Farewell Dinner. **Hotel: HotelMOTEL. B D**

5 Farewell from Adelaide

It's time to bid farewell to Adelaide and Australia's second-largest island. **B**



South Australian Eyre Peninsula Escape



Coffin Bay Oyster Farm

Highlights

✂ Flexible Vacations

Take a walk along the scenic coastal trail at Elliston or just relax and let the driver show you all the hidden gems from the coast. Ask us for tips.

📍 Iconic Sites

The end-of-the-Earth sea cliffs of the Great Australian Bight frame a marine environment that humbles. Explore by land and sea, and get set for goosebumps.

🌿 Make Travel Matter

Enjoy some bush tucker and learn how to water divine as owner Kane shows you his man-made eco sanctuary hidden away in the hinterland of Coffin Bay.

🏞 Natural Wonders

Marvel at the weathered rock formations as you wander around Murphy's Haystacks; 1,500 million years in the making.



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7 DAYS Departure Dates

2024-25 Season		2025-26 Season	
2024		2025	
Oct	13	Apr	13, 27
		Oct	12, 26
		Nov	09

Dining

6 Breakfasts B
2 Lunches L

4 Dinners D

Flight Information

Day 1: Flights to arrive by 8.00am into Adelaide Airport (We strongly recommend you arrive the evening prior)

Day 7: Flights to depart anytime from Adelaide Airport.

Return Airport to Hotel transfers are not included in the tour price.

Flights to and from your tour are not included in the tour price.

1 Adelaide – Port Augusta

Just 90 minutes after departing Adelaide you're in the heart of the Clare Valley. Gather in the cellar door at Knappstein Wines, whose riesling will make you weak at the knees. Join your Travel Director or for a Welcome Dinner in Port Augusta. **Hotel: Majestic Oasis Apartments. D**

2 Port Augusta – Ceduna

The town of Kimba may be small in population, but it's big in attractions. Look no further than the larger-than-life drawcard is Kimba's silos, which forward-thinking artists have decorated with eye-popping murals. Talking about colorful, wait until you see the pink ripples that Pildappa Rock casts. **Hotel: Ceduna Foreshore Hotel Motel. B**

3 Ceduna – Streaky Bay

Head down the coast to Smoky Bay for a cruise around the scenic harbor in search of dolphins and sea lions, followed by a shared lunch including freshly shucked oysters and wine enjoyed in a working oyster shed. Discover more of Ceduna on a town tour, and visit to a local Aboriginal art gallery before arriving at your seaside hotel. **Hotel: Streaky Bay Hotel-Motel. B L D**

4 Streaky Bay – Port Lincoln

Explore Cape Bauer Loop Scenic Drive where you'll visit the Whistling Rocks and Blowholes. Nature continues to reign supreme at Murphy's

Haystacks, and Talia Caves. Stretch your legs along a section of the Elliston Coastal Trail at Little Bay, before arriving in Port Lincoln.

5 Port Lincoln & Coffin Bay

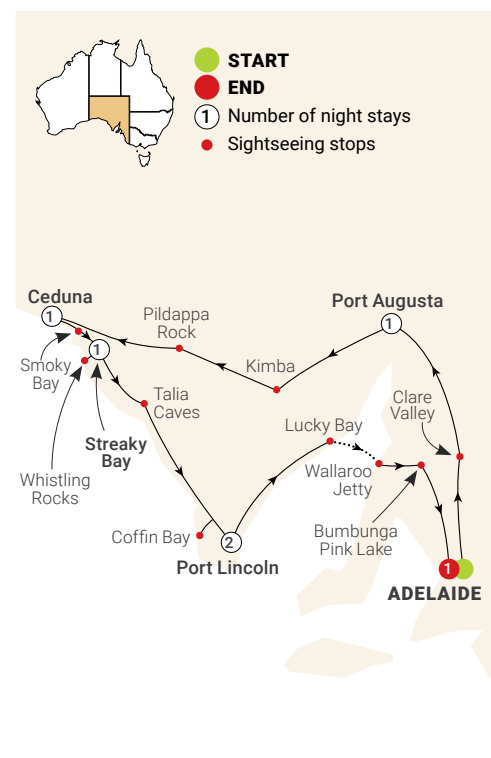
Head to Coffin Bay to dive deep into Aboriginal culture on a Wild Yarnbala tour, a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience, covering off-grid, organic orchards and gardens, giving you the opportunity to taste bush tucker. The nutrient-rich waters in this area are a natural habitat for many marine creatures but none more popular or famous than their oysters. Wearing waterproof waders, tour an oyster farm, slurp some freshly shucked molluscs, then sit down on the deck overlooking beautiful Coffin Bay and enjoy an indulgent seafood platter. **B L**

6 Port Lincoln – Adelaide

Today's your day to compare silo art: Kimba vs Tumbly Bay. Arriving at the Lucky Bay Jetty, jump aboard the Spencer Gulf Searoad to cruise across the gulf to Wallaroo. And just when you thought your week couldn't get any more colorful, you arrive at Bumbunga Pink Lake. This eye-popping waterway changes color depending on the salinity. **Hotel: HotelMOTEL. B FD**

7 Farewell from Adelaide

Short and sweet, we hope your journey inspired extended South Australian wanderlust. **B**



Tropical Queensland: Gold Coast to Cairns

Highlights

✂ Flexible Vacations

Choose your own optional adventures on the Gold Coast, in the Whitsundays and Cairns, where surf and sand meet rainforest hinterland. Hike, swim, snorkel, cruise, repeat.

📍 Iconic Sites

How many people get to say they visited two World Heritage Sites on a single vacation? You can: the Great Barrier Reef and the Wet Tropics of Queensland.

🌿 Make Travel Matter

Your Great Barrier Reef cruise operator on Magnetic Island strictly follows guidelines for responsible marine wildlife viewing, aiming to protect the diverse marine life of this natural wonder.

🌳 Natural Wonders

Some of the world's oldest tropical rainforest envelops Cairns, this verdant tangle of ferns and palms a natural magnet for native wildlife.

1 Welcome to the Gold Coast

The Gold Coast boasts a sparkling reputation – for good reason. It enjoys 300 days of sunshine a year, which you can bask in when you touch down in the Queensland city and start to take its pulse at your leisure. But before you do, we have lofty treat for you. Join a guide to head 77 stories up into the air in the iconic Q1 building, where the city unfolds before you from the SkyPoint Observation Deck. At your Welcome Dinner we'll give you tips on how to spend tomorrow, whether padding along beaches (there's 57km of coastline to explore), discovering colorful neighbourhoods or heading to the hinterland. **Hotel: Novotel Surfers Paradise, 2 nights. D**

2 Gold Coast Free Time

The Gold Coast may have a laid-back vibe, but this is Australia's sixth-largest city. There's a lot to pack in, so bring your stamina. The hardest thing you have to do today is decide which direction to set your compass. Begin the day on the sand, perhaps, whether at legendary beaches like Surfers Paradise or further afield in hamlets of the south or along calm estuaries. Foodie? Hop between cafés, restaurants, bars and vibrant markets. Discover the city's cultural vibe browsing museums and galleries. Or feel the cool of the Gondwana rainforest in the hinterland, where walking tracks lead to distilleries and wineries between time-forgotten villages (own expense). We challenge you to do it all. **B**

3 Gold Coast – Airlie Beach

Say farewell to the Gold Coast and fly north to Airlie Beach, the gateway to the dazzling 74 tropical islands of the Whitsundays. Life moves at a slow pace in Airlie, in keeping with the balmy climes. Follow the lead of locals and soak it all in – slowly – while getting a taste for the produce of the region at any number of alfresco restaurants and bars. Or splash about in Airlie's enormous man-made lagoon, particularly pretty at sunset. The choice is yours this afternoon and evening. **Hotel: Mantra Club Croc, 2 nights. B**

4 Airlie Beach Free Time

The Whitsundays is home to some big-name islands, Hayman, Hamilton and Daydream among them. But there are endless others to discover, whether from the air or the water. Today we're letting you choose. Perhaps

rise early for a scenic helicopter ride over Heart Reef. Or catch a catamaran to Whitehaven Beach, with sand so high in silica it squeaks underfoot. You can also opt to go chasing waterfalls in the lush hinterland, where hiking trails weave through the emerald canopy and lead to gem-like waterholes (all own expense). Whichever way you go, be sure to pack your swimsuit. **B**

5 Airlie Beach – Townsville – Magnetic Island

Just off the coast of Townsville, Magnetic Island is a very special pocket of national parkland. In fact, more than two thirds of the land here is protected, woven with 25km of hiking trails. Alight your ferry and get your bearings with a local guide, to glimpse palm-fringed beaches backdropped by enormous granite boulders, hidden waterfalls and forests of lush hoop pines and eucalypts where koalas like to hang out. Fun fact: the island is home to the largest population of koalas in northern Australia. It's all enveloped by opaline lagoons that glimmer in Queensland's tropical sun. **Hotel: Peppers Blue on Blue, 2 nights. B D**

6 Magnetic Island

Those gleaming coral reefs you glimpsed yesterday? Today, on our **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience, you're getting a close-up look on a cruise around Magnetic's 23 bays and endless beaches. Jump aboard your floating chariot to glide across the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park, learning about what's being done to protect this fragile ecosystem. It can get warm in these parts; thankfully you'll have plenty of time to cool off with a dip or snorkel before heading back to land. Tonight, discover the island's restaurants and bars at your own pace. **B**

7 Magnetic Island – Townsville – Cairns

From the reef to the rainforest – today you're heading even deeper into Tropical North Queensland. Return by ferry to dry land and travel by coach from Townsville to Cairns, a place where two World Heritage Sites converge: the Great Barrier Reef meets the Wet Tropics of Queensland. Needless to say, it's a pretty special destination. Take your time soaking up the tropical surrounds of this city, whether you're wandering along the buzzy Esplanade, enjoying seafood by the marina or checking out one of the bars that now call Cairns home. **Hotel: DoubleTree by Hilton, 3 nights. B**



Great Barrier Reef

8 Cairns and Surrounds

Things cool down when you journey to Kuranda, set high on the eastern edge of the Atherton Tablelands. This village in the rainforest comes with personality to spare. It’s also an important floral and faunal corridor, as you’ll discover when you arrive and explore at your leisure. You’ll take in the natural drama from your ride on the Skyrail Rainforest Cableway, offering you a bird’s-eye view over strangler figs, orchids and palms, not to mention gushing waterfalls. Keep watch for the elusive cassowary, which calls this part of the world home. The rest of the day and evening is at your leisure. **B**

9 Great Barrier Reef

The Great Barrier Reef is the largest of its kind in the world. Today you’ll get to dive into part of it on a high-speed catamaran cruise over the Coral Sea. Pull on your mask and snorkel (equipment provided) to swim with turtles, moray eels, giant clams and a menagerie of tropical fish. Your guides will tell you how important this ecosystem is to the biodiversity of the planet. If you prefer to keep your hair dry, the marine wonderland can also be glimpsed from an underwater observatory and glass-bottom boat. A tropical buffet lunch will be served before you return to Cairns. Endless sunshine, countless beaches, memories of coral reefs and tropical fish, rainforests, and waterfalls... you’ll be glowing when it’s time to say goodbye to your fellow travellers after your Farewell Dinner. **B L D**

10 Farewell from Cairns

We bid you farewell, we wouldn’t blame you for lingering to catch a final few rays before you fly home, though. **B**

Prefer to start in Cairns? Visit aatkings.com/QCGC to see detailed itinerary in reverse.



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Departure Dates

QGCC: Gold Coast to Cairns (10 DAYS)

2025-26 Season	
2025	2026
Sep 07	Feb 15
Nov 16	Mar 15

QCGC: Cairns to Gold Coast (10 DAYS)

2025-26 Season	
2025	2026
Sep 05	Feb 13
Nov 14	Mar 13

Dining

9 Breakfasts **B**
1 Lunch **L**

3 Dinners **D**

Flight Information

QGCC: Gold Coast to Cairns

Day 1: Flights to arrive prior to 1.00pm into Gold Coast Airport
Day 10: Flights to depart anytime from Cairns Airport

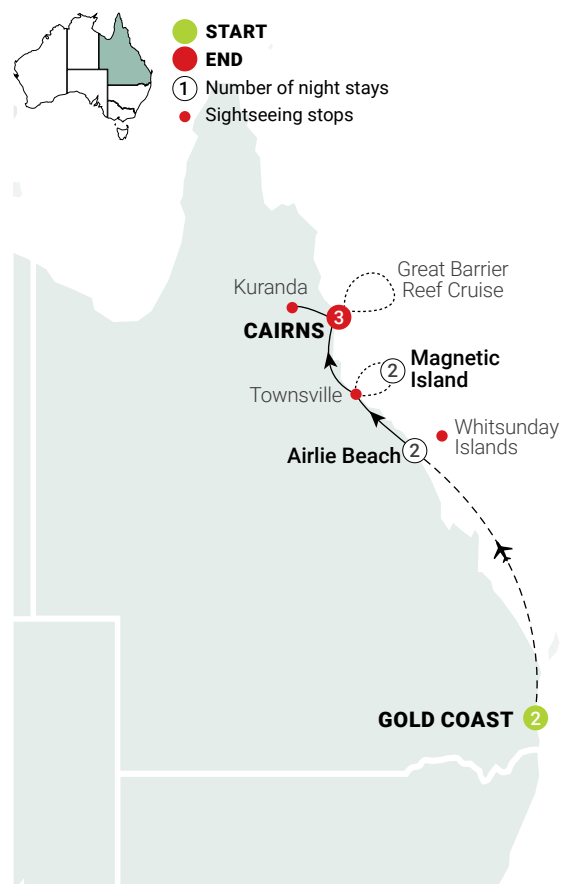
QCGC: Cairns to Gold Coast

Day 1: Flights to arrive prior to 2.00pm into Cairns Airport
Day 10: Flights to depart anytime from Gold Coast Airport

Tour price includes internal-vacation airfare.

Return Airport to Hotel transfers are not included in the tour price.

Flights to and from your tour are not included in the tour price.



Spirit of New Zealand

Highlights

✂ Flexible Vacations

We've crafted an itinerary with plenty of two-night stays, so you can sleep in and take the pulse of your destination, whether Queenstown, Wellington, Nelson or Rotorua.

📍 Iconic Sites

From the bubbling geysers of Rotorua to the gem-like surface of Franz Josef Glacier/Kā Roimata o Hine Hukatere, nature and culture unite across the North and South islands.

Make Travel Matter

The Real Country Farm Show offers an authentic taste of what rural New Zealand is like. For every guest, we donate funds to The Fairlight Foundation, Advancing Women in Agriculture.

🏞 Natural Wonders

An island off an island, Stewart Island is wild, wide and wonderful. Some 85% is national park - prepare for epic animal encounters.

1 Welcome to Christchurch

Community spirit is strong in Christchurch, as you'll discover exploring its streets at your leisure. Meet your Travel Director and fellow travelers this evening for a Welcome Reception. **Hotel: Ibis. B**

2 Christchurch – Omarama

More of Christchurch is revealed before the colors of the Canterbury Plains spread before you: the turquoise waters of Lake Tekapo, snowcapped mountains and atmospheric towns. Your Indoor Dark Sky Astronomy Experience at Tekapo, hosted by passionate guides, will forever change the way you see the night sky. You'll see for yourself it may be one of the quietest spots on the planet, yet it has one of the busiest skies in the universe. **Hotel: Distinction Heritage Gateway. B D**

3 Omarama – Dunedin

Architectural drama awaits in Dunedin. While away the afternoon in atmospheric art-lined alleys or sipping a lager or two in Speight's Brewery (a national institution). **Hotel: Leisure Lodge. B**

4 Dunedin – Invercargill

Invercargill is obsessed with motor vehicles. Tributes to speed legends color the city. So it's only fitting that you visit Transport World, exploring classic vehicles as you are transported on a nostalgic walk back in time. Your guided tour will be followed by a Highlight Dinner. **Hotel: Kelvin, 2 nights. B D**

5 Stewart Island

Wild, wide and wonderful, Stewart Island's rugged coastline cuts a dramatic form in the Southern Ocean. It's largely untouched, which means that endemic flora and fauna thrive. But don't take our word for it. Meet the locals on a tour through the Village and Bays. **B**

6 Invercargill – Queenstown

The Real Country Farm Show, offers an authentic taste of what rural New Zealand is like. For every guest, we donate funds to The Fairlight Foundation, Advancing Women in Agriculture, a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience. Continue to Queenstown and take the afternoon at your own pace. **Hotel: Copthorne Hotel & Resort, 2 nights. B**

7 Queenstown Free Time

A free day to explore New Zealand's adventure capital. Perhaps consider a day trip to the stunning fiord of Milford Sound. **B**

8 Queenstown – Franz Josef/Waiau

We know you'll want to linger in Arrowtown's movie-set-like streets, lined with trees and character-filled boutiques and restaurants. But the Alpine countryside of the Southern Lakes is calling. Over the Haast Pass, the pretty town of Franz Josef/Waiau, at the edge of Westland World Heritage Park, awaits. **Hotel: Scenic Franz Josef Glacier. B D**

9 Franz Josef/Waiau – Punakaiki

Wander Hokitika's windswept coast then prepare yourself for Punakaiki's Pancake Rocks and blowholes; they owe their existence to the thundering surf that will lull you to sleep. **Hotel: Scenic Punakaiki. B D**

10 Punakaiki – Nelson

Ease along the Heritage Highway toward Nelson. Press your nose against the glass as your coach weaves through Buller Gorge and Kahurangi National Park. **Hotel: Rutherford, 2 nights. B**

11 Nelson Free Time

Lace up your hiking shoes and head off on a bushwalk, or cruise through Abel Tasman National Park (own expense). This pocket in the north of the island inspires calm, its golden beaches framed by sculpted granite cliffs. **B**

12 Nelson – Wellington

All aboard the Interislander for a cruise through Queen Charlotte Sound to Wellington. **Hotel: Travelodge. B D**

13 Wellington – Napier

Travel to Napier. Beautifully preserved 1930s architecture is Napier's special point of difference. **Hotel: Scenic Te Pania, 2 nights. B**

14 Napier

Discover Napier's Art Deco heritage on our **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience walking tour. Explore how this resilient city rose from the ashes of the 1931 Hawke's Bay Earthquake to become a global Art Deco icon, featuring stunning architecture and inspiring stories of renewal. **B**



Punakaiki Pancake Rocks



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21 DAYS

Departure Dates

2024-25 Season		2025-26 Season	
2024		2025	2026
Oct	03	Oct	02, 16, 30
		Jan	01, 22, 29
2025		Nov	27
Jan	02, 23, 30	Feb	05, 19
Feb	20	Dec	18
Mar	20	Mar	05, 19

Dining

20 Breakfasts B

8 Dinners D

Flight Information

Day 1: Flights to arrive prior to 4.00pm into Christchurch Airport

Day 21: Flights to depart anytime from Auckland Airport

Return Airport to Hotel transfers are not included in the tour price.

Flights to and from your tour are not included in the tour price.

15 Napier – Rotorua

This afternoon visit the Māori Arts & Crafts Institute to see and support Māori artisans at work, then enjoy an evening of history, culture and food at Te Puia on this guided experience which includes hangi-inspired cuisine, a cultural performance and a grand geothermal finish at the Pohutu Geyser. **Hotel: Sudima, 2 nights. B D**

16 Rotorua Free Time

Today is one of decisions. Bliss out at Wai Araki Hot Springs & Spa; take the Hobbiton Movie Set Tour or board a scenic flight for a bird's-eye view (all own expense). **B**

17 Rotorua – Auckland

Today your sights are firmly set on New Zealand's national game: rugby. The interactive All Blacks Experience explores an introduction to the game as a part of New Zealand culture. **Hotel: Adina Apartment Britomart. B**

18 Auckland – Bay of Islands

The Bay of Islands is undeniably beautiful, but it also holds a special historical significance: this is where the Treaty of Waitangi was signed in 1840. Your guide, perhaps a descendant of one of the original signatories, will explain the significance. **Hotel: Copthorne Hotel & Resort, 2 nights. B D**

19 Bay of Islands Free Time

Trip the light fantastic and head off in whatever direction you please. Perhaps travel up to Cape Reinga/Te Rerenga Wairua via idyllic Ninety Mile Beach. Or glide around on an historic tall ship, cruise to the Hole in the Rock or join a tour of Russell (all own expense). **B**

20 Bay of Islands – Auckland

For a little more northern exposure, make your way to Whangarei, the island's most northerly outpost. Explore the reimagined town basin before the commute back to Auckland for your Farewell Dinner. **Hotel: Adina Apartment. B D**

21 Farewell from Auckland

Over three weeks, we hope you've packed your address book with the names of new friends and your camera with photos. But at the end of the day, it's the memories that will fuel your flight home. **B**



Kia Ora New Zealand

Highlights

✂ Flexible Vacations

Want to get your heart racing? Explore the extremes of the North Island then feel the natural rush of Queenstown. Or just laze by the pool. Your choice...

📍 Iconic Sites

You don't need a reason to visit World Heritage listed Fiordland National Park. But if you're looking for one, make it shimmering Milford Sound/Piopiotahi. This place is nature amplified.

🏞 Make Travel Matter

Journey through New Zealand's most important historic site, Waitangi Treaty Grounds, with a passionate local guide. Discover the stories, people and events that have shaped the past, present and future.

🌋 Natural Wonders

End-of-the-Earth drama awaits in the Bay of Islands, where 140 droplets of land unite powdery beaches with dreamy pockets of forest.

1 Welcome to Auckland

Explore waterfront precincts filled with yachts or just meet fellow travel companions for a Welcome Reception tonight. **Hotel: Holiday Inn Express.**

2 Auckland – Bay of Islands

Say goodbye to the 'City of Sails' as you journey north to the Bay of Islands – 140 islands ringed by turquoise sea. It's undeniably beautiful, but it also holds a special historical significance; this is where the Treaty of Waitangi was signed in 1840. Your guide, perhaps a descendant of one of the original signatories, will explain the significance of the site, while pointing out the world's largest ceremonial canoe and a carved meeting house. **Hotel: Copthorne Hotel & Resort, 2 nights. B D**

3 Bay of Islands Free Time

Today, head off in whatever direction you please. Perhaps travel up to Cape Reinga/Te Rerenga Wairua, the very top of New Zealand, via idyllic Ninety Mile Beach. Or glide around on an historic tall ship, enjoy a cruise to the iconic Hole in the Rock or join a tour of Russell and learn more about the settling of the Bay of Islands (all own expense). **B**

4 Bay of Islands – Auckland

Whangarei is like the country in a tantalizing snapshot – a union of nature and forward-thinking culture. Look around before sinking back into your seat for the mesmerizing commute back to Auckland. **Hotel: Holiday Inn Express. B**

5 Auckland – Rotorua

After viewing Auckland City highlights set your sights on the Waitomo Caves. Cruising cavernous waterways, your route is cast in a magical light by thousands of glowworms. It's a landscape almost as otherworldly as Rotorua, where mud pops and jettisons from bubbling geysers. This evening, explore Te Puia's geothermal valley, and learn about Māori history and culture on this guided experience, which includes a dinner of hangi-inspired cuisine and a cultural performance in a finely carved meeting house, Te Aronui a Rua. It ends on a high at the Pohutu Geyser, where, armed with a hot chocolate you'll view one of New Zealand's geothermal wonderlands. **Hotel: Ibis, 2 nights. B D**

6 Rotorua Free Time

Explore at your own pace today. Want a bit of down time? Why not bliss out at the Wai Araki Hot Springs & Spa (own expense). **B**

7 Rotorua – Wellington

View Huka Falls, to see 220,000 litres of water thunder over an 11-meter-high waterfall every second. The road ahead unfolds in a broad panorama of mint-blue Lake Taupo. Traverse the Kapiti Coast to New Zealand's cool little capital, Wellington, where there are so many restaurants and bars to choose from, you'll need a guidebook. Wait, you have an in-the-know Travel Director to talk to. **Hotel: Travelodge. B**

8 Wellington – Picton

Wellington is known for its uber-cool cafés, designed to fuel you through your city sights tour. Onwards to the Interislander for a cruise across Cook Strait, from the North Island to the South, through a maze of arms and inlets. **Hotel: Beachcomber Inn. B D**

9 Picton – Christchurch

There aren't many beaches more dramatic than the sands of Kaikoura. Bonus points if you spot a sea lion or sperm whale frolicking offshore, Kaikoura is the marine wildlife center of New Zealand. **Hotel: Ibis. B**

10 Christchurch – Omarama

On your city tour view the mind-bending Cathedral, made largely of cardboard, and Turanga, the gold-clad central library. From here, your outlook is the Canterbury Plains: the turquoise waters of Lake Tekapo, snow-capped mountains and atmospheric towns. Your Indoor Dark Sky Astronomy Experience in Tekapo, hosted by passionate guides, will forever change the way you see the night sky. You'll see for yourself it may be one of the quietest spots on the planet, yet it has one of the busiest skies in the universe. **Hotel: Distinction Heritage Gateway. B D**

11 Omarama – Dunedin Free Time

Oamaru, with its stately tree-lined streets and limestone buildings, stands proud before you journey further south toward the 'Edinburgh of the South'. Dunedin's Scottish ancestry is everywhere you look, from the manicured grounds of Otago University to Larnach Castle. While away the



Milford Sound Cruise

afternoon in the city's art-lined alleys, or venture further afield to discover the wildlife that thrives here – fur seals and penguins among them.

Hotel: Scenic Dunedin City. B

12 Dunedin – Te Anau

Weave your way into Fiordland National Park and the South Island's biggest lake and the town of Te Anau. **Hotel: Luxmore. B D**

13 Te Anau – Queenstown

Your route through Fiordland National Park is an intoxicating union of beech forests, alluvial flats, meadows and mirror-like lakes. All roads lead to Milford Sound/Piopiota, where a string of waterfalls create a misty curtain across sheer escarpments. Venture out into the Fjord on a sightseeing cruise, where dolphins and seals are a common sight.

Hotel: Copthorne Hotel & Resort, 2 nights. B

14 Queenstown Free Time

Take Queenstown at your own pace today. Feel the wind in your hair on a high octane jet boat ride, perhaps (own expense). Wherever you wander, make sure you're back in time to glide across Lake Wakatipu aboard the historic TSS Earnslaw to Walter Peak High Country Farm for a gourmet barbecue dinner. **B D**

15 Queenstown – Franz Josef/Waiau

Leaving Lake Wakatipu behind, Arrowtown and Lake Dunstan appear on the horizon, then there's Lake Hawea. Over the Haast Pass, the pretty town of Franz Josef/Waiau awaits. **Hotel: Scenic Franz Josef Glacier. B D**

16 Franz Josef/Waiau – Christchurch

Swap snow for pounamu (native greenstone or jade) in Hokitika: the pounamu found here is the stuff jewelry dreams are made of. Just when you thought your adventure couldn't get any better, you'll aboard the TranzAlpine train bound for Christchurch, through tunnels and over viaducts with panoramic views. **Hotel: Ibis. B D**

17 Farewell from Christchurch

Two islands, glaciers, lakes, thermal springs and a parade of wildlife... We hope you find the words to describe this epic adventure. **B**



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Departure Dates

LABC: Auckland to Christchurch (17 DAYS)

2024-25 Season		2025-26 Season	
2024		2025	2026
Oct	12, 26	Apr	19
Nov	09, 30	May	24
Dec	21	Jun	21
2025		Sep	06, 20, 27
Jan	04, 11, 18, 25	Oct	04, 11, 18, 25
Feb	01, 08, 15, 22	Nov	01, 08, 22, 29
Mar	01, 08, 15, 22	Dec	06, 13, 20
		Jan	03, 10, 17, 24, 31
		Feb	07, 14, 21, 28
		Mar	07, 14, 21

LCBA: Christchurch to Auckland (17 DAYS)

2024-25 Season		2025-26 Season	
2024		2025	2026
Oct	28	Apr	07
Nov	18	Sep	29
Dec	09, 16, 23, 30	Oct	13, 20, 27
2025		Nov	03, 17, 24
Jan	06, 13, 20, 27	Dec	01, 08, 22, 29
Feb	03, 10, 17, 24		
Mar	03, 10, 17, 24		
		Jan	05, 12, 19, 26
		Feb	02, 09, 16, 23
		Mar	02, 09, 16, 23, 30

Dining

16 Breakfasts B

8 Dinners D

Flight Information

Day 1: Flights to arrive prior to 4.00pm into Auckland Airport
 Day 17: Flights to depart anytime from Christchurch Airport

**Return Airport to Hotel transfers are not included in the tour price.
 Flights to and from your tour are not included in the tour price.**



New Zealand Marvel

Highlights

✂ Flexible Vacations

From helicopter jaunts to jet-boat rides, winery expeditions and Hobbiton Movie Set tours, your Travel Director is ready to organize optional experiences across Rotorua and Queenstown.

📍 Iconic Sites

Waterfalls, ancient escarpments and dolphins await in Fiordland National Park's Milford Sound/Piopiotahi. This World Heritage Site is as humbling as it is immense.

Make Travel Matter

Dark Sky Project is committed to preserving our night skies by connecting manuhiri (visitors) to the relevance of the night sky via scientific and cultural experiences.

🏔 Natural Wonders

From snow-tipped mountains to a wild and dramatic coastline and turquoise alpine lakes, the Southern Lakes region is one of NZ's most diverse and distinctive wilderness areas.



1 Welcome to Christchurch

There are plenty of reasons to arrive in New Zealand's 'Garden City' early, among them the astonishing transformation that has reinvigorated streets since the devastating 2010/11 earthquakes. Meet your Travel Director and traveling companions at a Welcome Reception tonight. **Hotel: Ibis.**

2 Christchurch – Franz Josef/Waiiau

Jump aboard the TranzAlpine train bound for Christchurch, with panoramic views of snow-capped peaks, gorges and river valleys. Visit the small town of Hokitika, the heritage and cultural center of the West Coast well-known for its jade. Around the corner is the town of Franz Josef, gateway to Franz Josef Glacier/Kā Roimata o Hine Hukatere. Get some perspective on a scenic flight (own expense). **Hotel: Scenic Franz Josef Glacier. B D**

3 Franz Josef/Waiiau – Queenstown

Over the Haast Pass, alpine scenery of the Southern Lakes spreads before you. Lake Hawea – the color of an Ice Mint – and Lake Dunstan, where you'll pause to refuel on flavor-packed stone fruits. As tempting as it is to linger in Arrowtown's movie-set-like streets, Lake Wakatipu and the Remarkables await in Queenstown. **Hotel: Copthorne Hotel & Resort, 2 nights. B**

4 Queenstown Free Time

Today, choose your own adventure – there are plenty to be had. Feel the wind in your hair on the high-octane jet boat ride, perhaps. Or discover some of New Zealand's feathered friends at a wildlife center. Wine aficionado? Sip your way through surrounding vineyards (all own expense). Wherever you wander, make sure you're back in time to glide across Lake Wakatipu aboard the historic TSS Earnslaw to Walter Peak High Country Farm for a gourmet barbecue dinner. **B D**

5 Queenstown – Te Anau

Your route from the Mirror Lakes through the Cleddau Valley is the entrée to Milford Sound/Piopiotahi, a cavernous wonderland where waterfalls thunder from ancient escarpments into inky water. You'll likely spot them on your Milford Sound/Piopiotahi cruise. It's all part of World Heritage

listed Fiordland National Park, an intoxicating union of beech forests, alluvial flats, meadows and gin-clear rivers, carving up the countryside. This is your backdrop all the way to Te Anau. **Hotel: Luxmore. B D**

6 Te Anau – Dunedin

Swap the forested slopes of Fiordland for the rolling green hills of the Edinburgh of the South. Welcome to Dunedin, a beguiling union of both Māori and Scottish heritage. While away the afternoon in atmospheric art-lined alleys or sipping a lager or two in Speight's Brewery (a national institution), or visit grand Larnach Castle, the only one of its kind in the country. You could venture further afield to discover the wildlife that thrives in this pretty pocket of the country – fur seals, anyone? (all own expense). **Hotel: Scenic Dunedin City. B**

7 Dunedin – Oamaru

Time is on your side this morning. Sleep in or take a stroll. Visit Oamaru, known for its stately tree-lined streets and limestone buildings. **Hotel: Distinction Heritage Gateway. B D**

8 Oamaru – Christchurch

Your outlook this morning is the Canterbury Plains. Your Indoor Dark Sky Astronomy Experience at Tekapo, hosted by passionate guides, will forever change the way you see the night sky. You'll see for yourself it may be one of the quietest spots on the planet, yet it has one of the busiest skies in the universe. Back on earth, it's time to become reacquainted with Christchurch, your in-the-know guide pointing out the city's miraculous transformation. **Hotel: Ibis. B D**

9 Christchurch – Picton

There aren't many beaches more dramatic than the sands of Kaikoura. Bonus points if you spot a sea lion or sperm whale frolicking offshore, Kaikoura is the marine wildlife center of New Zealand. **Hotel: Picton Yacht Club. B D**

10 Picton – Wellington

Cruising through Queen Charlotte Sound, up the Tory Channel and across Cook Strait is a journey as scenic as it is serene. Today's chariot, the Interislander, transports you from the South Island to the North, navigating



Te Puia Geothermal Reserve

a maze of arms and inlets into Wellington. Ask your Travel Director for tips on where to sip wine and coffee tonight – this city is known for its uber-cool cafés, restaurants and bars. **Hotel: Travelodge. B**

11 Wellington – Rotorua

The road ahead unfolds in a broad panorama of Lake Taupo, the largest of its kind in the country. It's a landscape almost as otherworldly as Rotorua, where mud pops and jettisons from bubbling geysers, and steam rushes skywards from cracks in the Earth. This evening, explore Te Puia's geothermal valley, and learn about Māori history and culture on this guided experience, which includes a dinner of hangi-inspired cuisine and a cultural performance in a finely carved meeting house, Te Aronui a Rua. It ends on a high at the Pohutu Geyser, where, armed with a hot chocolate you'll view one of New Zealand's geothermal wonderlands. **Hotel: Ibis, 2 nights. B D**

12 Rotorua Free Time

Sometimes, the best adventures are those that you have when you least expect them. Like wandering into Rotorua's Wai Araki Hot Springs & Spa and falling into a few hours of bliss while soaking in steamy thermal springs. And then there's Hobbiton. These beautiful landscapes are not only a bucket list tour for Hobbit fans, but a gorgeous countryside getaway (both own expense). **B**

13 Rotorua – Auckland

Before you reach your final destination, get set to glow through the Waitomo Caves. While cruising cavernous limestone waterways, your route is cast in a magical light by thousands of glowworms. Auckland, New Zealand's largest city, appears on the horizon, dazzling with not one, but two harbors. **Hotel: Holiday Inn Express. B D**

14 Farewell from Auckland

The 'City of Sails' flutters as if waving goodbye as you make your way home. **B**



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Departure Dates

LCCA: Christchurch to Auckland (14 DAYS)

2024-25 Season		2025-26 Season	
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Dec	09, 16, 23, 30	Oct	13, 20, 27
2025		Nov	03, 17, 24
Jan	06, 13, 20, 27	Dec	01, 08, 22, 29
Feb	03, 10, 17, 24		
Mar	03, 10, 17, 24		

LAAC: Auckland to Christchurch (14 DAYS)

2024-25 Season		2025-26 Season	
2024		2025	2026
Oct	15, 29	Apr	22
Nov	12	May	27
Dec	03, 24	Jun	24
2025		Sep	09, 23, 30
Jan	07, 14, 21, 28	Oct	07, 14, 21, 28
Feb	04, 11, 18, 25	Nov	04, 11, 25
Mar	04, 11, 18, 25	Dec	02, 09, 16, 23

Dining

13 Breakfasts B

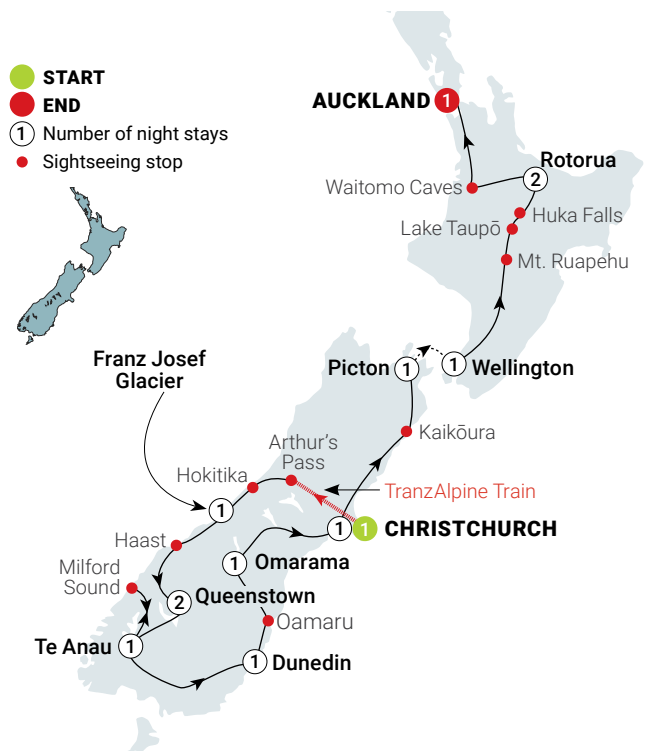
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Flight Information

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Day 14: Flights to depart anytime from Auckland Airport

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Southern Spotlight

Highlights

✂ Flexible Vacations

Queenstown is home to more than 150 bars and restaurants. If you don't know where to look, ask your Travel Director for recommendations. Enjoy downtime at your own pace.

📍 Iconic Sites

The TranzAlpine train ride has been described as one of the most scenic cross-country jaunts in the world. But don't take our word for it...

🌌 Make Travel Matter

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🏞 Natural Wonders

The West Coast, or 'the Coast' as locals call it, is an untamed natural wilderness of rivers and rainforests, glaciers and geological treasures.



1 Welcome to Christchurch

Since its 2010/11 earthquakes, Christchurch has reinvented itself in more ways than one. It's time tonight to meet your traveling companions for a Welcome Reception. **Hotel: Ibis.**

2 Christchurch – Omarama

On your city tour view the mind-bending Cathedral, made largely of cardboard, and Turanga, the gold-clad central library. From here, your outlook is the Canterbury Plains: the turquoise waters of Lake Tekapo, the quaint Church of the Good Shepherd, snow-capped mountains and atmospheric towns. Your Indoor Dark Sky Astronomy Experience at Tekapo, hosted by passionate guides, will forever change the way you see the night sky. You'll see for yourself it may be one of the quietest spots on the planet, yet it has one of the busiest skies in the universe.

Hotel: Distinction Heritage Gateway. B D

3 Omarama – Dunedin

Oamaru, with its Victorian heritage buildings, stands proud before you journey further south toward the Edinburgh of the South: Dunedin. It's easy to while away the afternoon in the city's atmospheric art-lined alleys. Or venture further afield to discover the wildlife that thrives in this pretty pocket of the country – fur seals among them. Thirsty? Visit Speight's Brewery, a New Zealand institution (both own expense).

Hotel: Scenic Dunedin City. B

4 Dunedin – Te Anau

Dunedin's Scottish ancestry is everywhere you look, from the manicured grounds of Otago University to the city's main George Street. Rolling green hills dotted with doe-eyed sheep are replaced by soaring mountains as you weave your way into Fiordland National Park and the South Island's biggest lake and the town of Te Anau. Soak up the serenity – it doesn't get any better than this. **Hotel: Luxmore. B D**

5 Te Anau – Queenstown

From the moment you step outside today, nature rules. Your route through Fiordland National Park is an intoxicating union of beech forests, alluvial flats, meadows and mirror-like lakes. Gin-clear rivers carve the countryside, with all roads leading to Milford Sound/Piopiotahi. Your cruise on this World Heritage listed expanse will give you goosebumps, a string of waterfalls creating a misty curtain across sheer escarpments.

Hotel: Copthorne Hotel & Resort, 2 nights. B

6 Queenstown Free Time

Take today at your own pace. Like things fast and furious? Feel the wind in your hair on the high-octane Skippers Jet, perhaps. There's a reason why Queenstown is known as the adventure capital of the country. Nature lover? Discover some of New Zealand's feathered friends at a wildlife center (all own expense). Wherever you wander, make sure you're back in time to cruise across Lake Wakatipu aboard the historic TSS Earnslaw to Walter Peak High Country Farm for a gourmet barbecue Highlight Dinner. **B D**

7 Queenstown – Franz Josef/Waiau

Try and keep count of today's lakes. Leaving Lake Wakatipu behind, Arrowtown appears on the horizon. We know you'll want to linger in the movie-set-like streets, lined with trees and character-filled boutiques. But Lake Dunstan awaits, as do its orchards. Pause to refuel on flavor-packed stone fruit. Then there's Lake Hawea. Over the Haast Pass to the town of Franz Josef, where, this afternoon you may choose to fly over Franz Josef Glacier/Ka Roimata o Hine Hukatere (own expense). **Hotel: Scenic Franz Josef Glacier. B D**

8 Franz Josef/Waiau – Christchurch

Swap snow for pounamu (native greenstone or jade) in Hokitika. Just when you thought your adventure couldn't get any better, you'll board the TranzAlpine train bound for Christchurch, through tunnels and over viaducts with panoramic views of snow-capped peaks, icy rivers, beech forests, gorges and river valleys. **Hotel: Ibis. B D**



Milford Sound Cruise

9 Farewell from Christchurch

New Zealand's South Island never fails to wow. We hope you find the words to describe this epic New Zealand tour to your family back home. **B**



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Departure Dates

LCQR: Christchurch Return (9 DAYS)

2024-25 Season		2025-26 Season	
2024	2025	2025	2026
Oct 20	Apr 27	Jan 11, 18, 25	
Nov 03, 17	Jun 01, 29	Feb 01, 08, 15, 22	
Dec 08, 29	Sep 14, 28	Mar 01, 08, 15, 22, 29	
2025	Oct 05, 12, 19, 26		
Jan 12, 19, 26	Nov 02, 09, 16, 30		
Feb 02, 09, 16, 23	Dec 07, 14, 21, 28		
Mar 02, 09, 16, 23, 30			

LRQC: Christchurch Return (9 DAYS)

2024-25 Season		2025-26 Season	
2024	2025	2025	2026
Oct 28	Apr 07	Jan 05, 12, 19, 26	
Nov 18	Sep 29	Feb 02, 09, 16, 23	
Dec 09, 16, 23, 30	Oct 13, 20, 27	Mar 02, 09, 16, 23, 30	
2025	Nov 03, 17, 24		
Jan 06, 13, 20, 27	Dec 01, 08, 22, 29		
Feb 03, 10, 17, 24			
Mar 03, 10, 17, 24			

Dining

8 Breakfasts **B**

5 Dinners **D**

Flight Information

Day 1: Flights to arrive prior to 4.00pm into Christchurch Airport

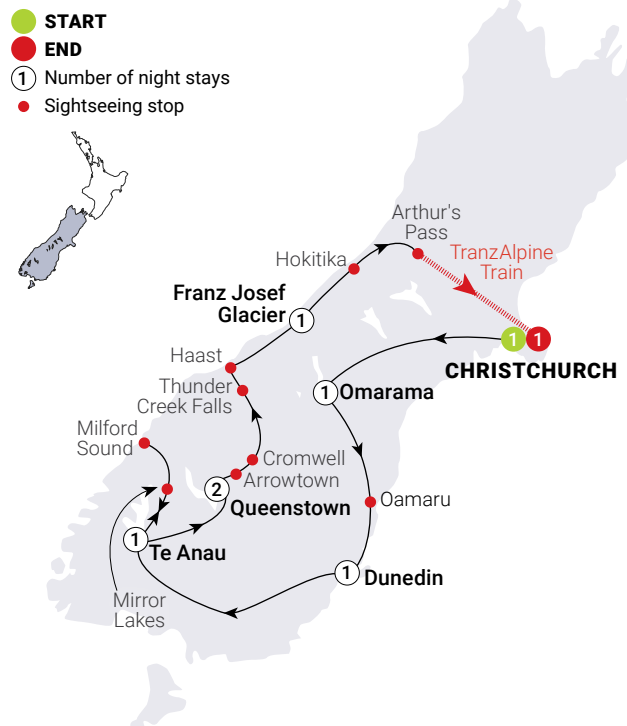
Day 9: Flights to depart anytime from Christchurch Airport

Return Airport to Hotel transfers are not included in the tour price.

Flights to and from your tour are not included in the tour price.



Franz Josef Glacier



Short Breaks

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- Money-can't-buy exclusives, dependent on your itinerary
- Travel in purpose-built air-conditioned coaches, with reclining seats and WiFi where available
- All National Park Entrance Fees
- The services of highly experienced Driver Guides
- Cultural activities in your destinations
- Community engagement activities

Kings Canyon & Uluru

SBUKA

3 DAYS

Mutitjulu Waterhole



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DEPARTS

7.00am Wednesdays (fortnightly)

CONCLUDES

6.00pm approximately

National Parks Pass is included.

ALICE SPRINGS RETURN : Uluru base tour • Mutitjulu Waterhole • Aboriginal Rock Art • Uluru Sunset • Kings Canyon

As this Short Break departs at 7.00am from **Crowne Plaza Alice Springs Lasseters**, accommodations will need to be pre-booked for the previous night.

1 Alice Springs – Uluru and Uluru Sacred Sites & Sunset

Travel in comfort in an air-conditioned vehicle from Alice Springs to Uluru (Ayers Rock). Take in the rugged desert landscapes of the region, passing through the beautiful MacDonnell Ranges. While traveling through this remote country, your Driver Guide will provide informative and entertaining commentary. Learn about the natural and geological history of the region, as well as the unique Australian desert flora and fauna such as the Perentie, the Thorny Devil and the Red Kangaroo. Stop at a local Roadhouse for a quick break and comfort stop and then see Atila (Mt Conner) in the distance as you travel through Curtin Springs Station before arriving at Ayers Rock Resort. Later, enter the Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park for an afternoon of discovery. Visit the Cultural Centre where you'll have time to explore the galleries and you may be lucky enough to see local Aboriginal Artists at work. Travel to the base of Uluru, where your local guide will share the Aboriginal Tjukurpa (creation) stories that breathe life into this giant formation. Feel the spirit of the land as your guide takes you on a walk to Mutitjulu Waterhole, interpreting the meaning of the ancient Rock Art and four sacred sites you'll see along the way. Later, travel to the Uluru Sunset Viewing Area where you can relax with a sparkling wine or two

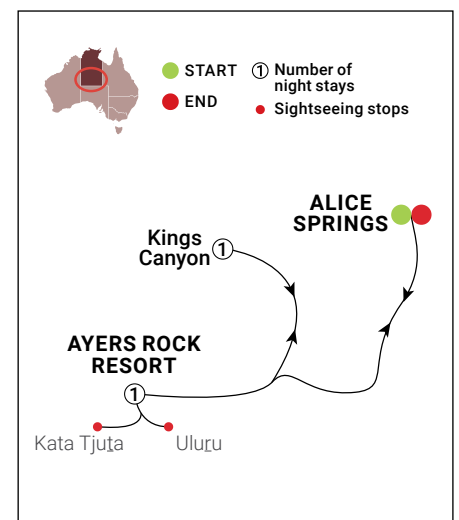
while you enjoy a famous Uluru sunset. Witness the incredible changing colors as the sun sets below the horizon. **Hotel: Outback Hotel & Lodge.**

2 Uluru – Kings Canyon

This morning you might choose to have a slow start to the day or to book a Sunrise Field of Light tour or scenic helicopter flight (both own expense). Travel through spectacular desert scenery from Ayers Rock Resort. Along the way to Kings Canyon your Driver Guide will provide informative commentary about the history of the surrounding cattle stations. Keep a look out for wild horses and camels along the way. You'll arrive at Kings Canyon Resort in time to relax before enjoying a spectacular sunset. In the summer months drinks are available to purchase at the sunset viewing area. After dinner on your own you might choose to experience the Light Towers by artist Bruce Munro (own expense). **Hotel: Kings Canyon Resort. B**

3 Kings Canyon – Alice Springs

Make the rocky climb to the rim of the canyon for marvellous views of Watarrka National Park at sunrise. Follow the rim of the canyon stopping to look down into the gorge at various points. Time permitting, you may choose to descend into the green oasis of the 'Garden of Eden'. The circuit walk takes approximately 3 hours to complete and is rocky and steep in parts. It is recommended for those with a very good level of fitness. Or, you may wish to take



an easier, shorter walk to explore the boulder strewn canyon floor. Later, board your coach to travel to Alice Springs. Stop at Eriunda, a classic Northern Territory Roadhouse located at the junction of the Stuart Highway and Lasseter Highway, before arriving in Alice Springs where your Short Break concludes. **B**

As this Short Break concludes at 6.00pm, you may like to pre-book accommodations for tonight.

Kings Canyon, Uluru & Kata Tjuta

SBUKK

4 DAYS

Light Towers



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DEPARTS

7.00am Tuesdays (fortnightly)

CONCLUDES

6.00pm approximately

National Parks Pass is included.

ALICE SPRINGS RETURN : Uluru base tour • Mutitjulu Waterhole • Aboriginal Rock Art • Uluru Sunset • Kata Tjuta • Walpa Gorge • Dot Painting Workshop • Kings Canyon • Light Towers

As this Short Break departs at 7.00am from Crowne Plaza Alice Springs Lasseters, accommodations will need to be pre-booked for the previous night.

1 Alice Springs – Uluru and Uluru Sacred Sites & Sunset

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2 Kata Tjuta

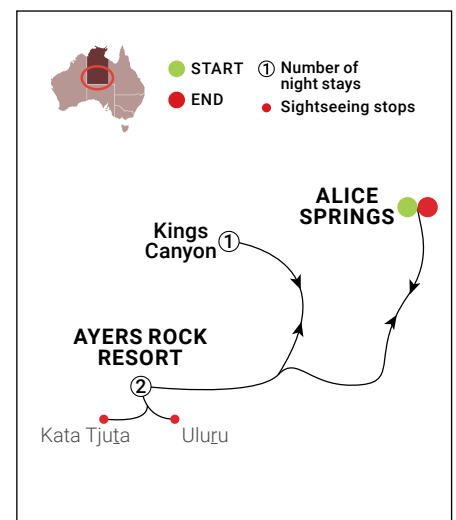
Enjoy panoramic views of the southern side of Kata Tjuta from the dune viewing platform before arriving at Walpa Gorge. Spend time exploring the gorge and the unusual conglomerate rock formations. The 1.3km walking trail through Walpa Gorge follows the natural creek between two of the tallest domes of Kata Tjuta. Return to Ayers Rock Resort in time for lunch on your own. The afternoon is free for you to relax. **B**

3 Dot Art Painting Workshop & Uluru – Kings Canyon

This morning you might choose to have a slow start to the day or to book the Sunrise Field of Light tour (own expense). Then delve into indigenous art. You will be taught by a local Anangu artist (and an interpreter). Learn about traditional art, symbols, tools and more! Be inspired by the ancient ways of the desert and create your own work of art as a memento of your Red Centre experience. Travel through spectacular desert scenery to Kings Canyon. You'll arrive at Kings Canyon Resort in time to relax before viewing a spectacular sunset. In the summer months drinks are available to purchase at the sunset viewing area. After dinner on your own, you'll experience the Light Towers by artist Bruce Munro. **Hotel: Kings Canyon Resort. B**

4 Kings Canyon – Alice Springs

Make the rocky climb to the rim of the canyon for marvellous views of Watarrka National Park



at sunrise. The circuit walk takes approximately 3 hours to complete and is rocky and steep in parts. It is recommended for those with a very good level of fitness. Or, you may wish to take an easier, shorter walk to explore the boulder strewn canyon floor. Later, board your coach for Alice Springs. Stop at Eralunda, a Roadhouse located at the junction of the Stuart and Lasseter Highways, before arriving in Alice Springs where your Short Break concludes. **B**

As this Short Break concludes at 6.00pm, you may like to pre-book accommodations for tonight.

Uluru & Kata Tjuta Highlights

U2L
2 DAYS



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DEPARTS

2.30pm (Apr-Oct) and 3.00pm (Nov-Mar)

CONCLUDES

10.30am (Oct-Mar) and 11.00am (Apr-Sep)

National Park Pass is included.

Uluru

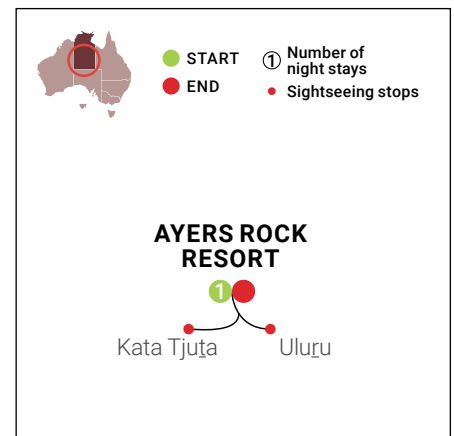
ULURU RETURN : Uluru Base Tour, Mutitjulu Waterhole, Aboriginal Rock Art, Uluru Sunset, Uluru Sunrise, Kata Tjuta, Walpa Gorge

1 Arrive Uluru – Sacred Sites & Sunset

On arrival at Ayers Rock Airport, you'll be transferred to the resort (flights to arrive prior to 1.30pm). This afternoon, visit the Uluru-Kata Tjuta Cultural Centre and later travel around the base of Uluru in comfort as your Driver Guide provides commentary about the numerous sacred sites and features at Uluru. Learn about the native flora, fauna and intriguing culture of the traditional owners, the Anangu, and discover an array of fascinating sites. Continue by coach to the Kuniya Walk, where your Driver Guide will escort you to the Mutitjulu Waterhole. Late afternoon, witness the striking color changes of Uluru at sunset, while enjoying sparkling wine.

Hotel: Choice of Outback Hotel & Lodge, Desert Gardens or Sails in the Desert, Ayers Rock Resort.

views of the southern side of Kata Tjuta at a dune viewing platform, from where you'll glimpse Uluru in the distance, before arriving at the base of Kata Tjuta and Walpa Gorge. Meaning 'wind' in local Aboriginal language, a breeze will accompany you as you explore the gorge. Follow the walking trail between two of the tallest domes of Kata Tjuta to a lush green oasis in the desert. Admire the seasonal flora and spearwood trees at the end of the gorge. You will be transferred to Ayers Rock Airport. Flights to depart after 12.45pm (Oct-Mar) and 1.15pm (Apr-Sep).



+ Uluru BBQ Dinner +BBQA

After sunset, why not add on our exclusive BBQ Dinner. Please enquire for details.

2 Uluru Sunrise – Kata Tjuta – Depart Uluru

Rise early this morning to travel to Talinguru Nyakuntjaku, the Uluru Sunrise Viewing Area. Watch the first rays of sun light up the desert while enjoying a warming cup of tea or coffee. After sunrise travel to the mystical 36 domes of Kata Tjuta. On the way, enjoy panoramic

Uluru & Kata Tjuta Experience

U3L1

3 DAYS



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DEPARTS

2.30pm (Apr-Oct) and 3.00pm (Nov-Mar)

CONCLUDES

30 minutes after sunrise

National Park Pass is included.

Kata Tjuta viewing platform

ULURU RETURN : Kata Tjuta Sunset • Uluru Sunrise • Walpa Gorge • Muġitjulu Waterhole • Aboriginal Rock Art • Uluru Sunset • Uluru BBQ • Field of Light

1 Arrive Uluru – Sacred Sites & Sunset

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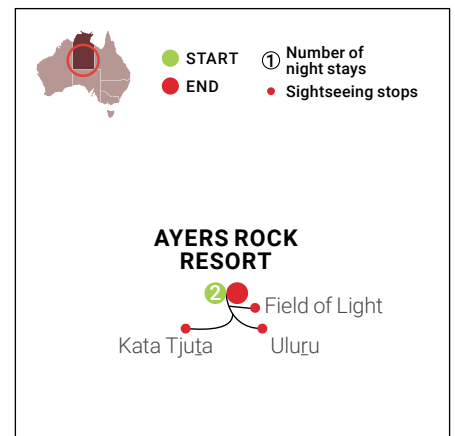
2 Uluru Sunrise & Kata Tjuta – Uluru Sunset & BBQ Dinner

Witness an Uluru sunrise, and then continue to Kata Tjuta, a series of 36 ancient red rock domes. On your way, enjoy panoramic views of its southern side from the dune viewing platform before arriving Walpa Gorge, where you can spend time exploring the unusual conglomerate rock formations. The 1.3km walking trail through the gorge follows the natural creek between two of the tallest domes of Kata Tjuta. Late afternoon begins with another magical Uluru sunset. Afterwards, continue to our exclusive venue

for a barbecue dinner, with Uluru as your backdrop. Enjoy sparkling wine on arrival and dine on favorites from the grill and a selection of freshly prepared salads, followed by a tasty desert. Includes wine, beer, or soft drinks. There's even time for star gazing. **D**

3 Field of Light – Depart Uluru

Experience acclaimed artist Bruce Munro's Field of Light, a once-in-a-lifetime event in Uluru. Under cover of darkness, wander through 50,000 magical hand-crafted frosted glass spheres of light, in colors of ochre, deep violet, blue and gentle white. Then make your way to the dune top, where you'll be served tea, coffee, or hot chocolate. Watch the sun pop up in the distance behind Uluru, flooding the landscape, including Kata Tjuta behind you, with light. Transfer to Ayers Rock Airport for your onward flight (flights to depart after 9.30am).



Kakadu & Arnhem Land Explorer

DK70

3 DAYS

Waterhole in Kakadu National Park



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DEPARTS

6.30am (May-Sep)

CONCLUDES

7.30pm approximately

NT Parks Pass is included.

DARWIN RETURN : Kakadu National Park • Aboriginal Rock Art • Yellow Water Billabong Cruise • Arnhem Land by 4WD • Cultural Cruise with Aboriginal Guide

As this Short Break departs at 6.30am, accommodations will need to be pre-booked for the previous night.

1 Darwin – Kakadu National Park

Depart Darwin and travel into Kakadu National Park. Visit the Warradjan Cultural Centre to view the informative displays. Join your local guide for a cruise on Yellow Water Billabong. Search for saltwater crocodiles and the colorful range of birdlife for which this region is renowned. After lunch, stop at Burrungkuy (Nourlangie), where your Driver Guide will lead you on a walk to view the rock art galleries. **Hotel: Mercure Kakadu Crocodile, 2 nights. L**

+ Kakadu Scenic Flight +SKF50

Today, experience Kakadu from the air for a true sense this wondrous landscape. Please enquire for details.

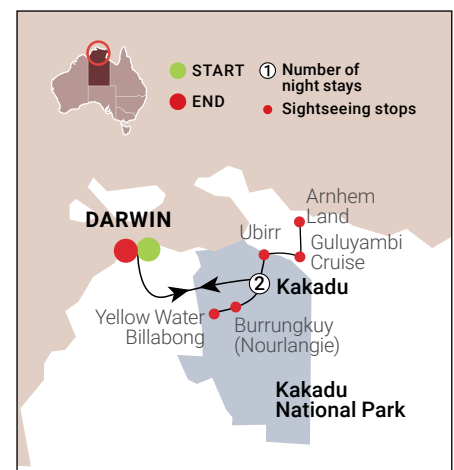
2 Arnhem Land 4WD Adventure

This morning travel by 4WD vehicle into Western Arnhem Land and the Mikinj Valley. The scenery includes forests, sandstone outcrops, escarpments, floodplains and billabongs. You'll visit places inaccessible to most, including ancient rock art sites. Learn about traditional land ownership, bush skills, hunting, food gathering and bush tucker preparation. Most tours are accompanied by an Aboriginal guide. L

3 Kakadu – Guluyambi Cultural Cruise – Depart Darwin

Join your Driver Guide to explore the World Heritage area of Ubirr, where you'll climb up through the ancient Aboriginal rock art galleries, believed to be 20,000 years old, to the lookout for the view over the surrounding wetlands. Later, board the Guluyambi Cultural Cruise along the East Alligator River. An Aboriginal guide will provide an insight into their culture, including local mythology, the river's abundant food chain, as well as bush survival skills. With special permission of the local people you'll be able to go ashore in Arnhem Land, before heading back downstream. Visit Marrawuddi Art Gallery before returning to Darwin, where your Short Break concludes. L

As this Short Break concludes at 7.30pm, you may like to pre-book accommodations for tonight.



Kakadu & Nitmiluk Gorge

DG42

3 DAYS



Yellow Water Billabong



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DEPARTS

7.25am (May-Sep)

CONCLUDES

6.00pm approximately

NT Parks Pass is included.

DARWIN RETURN : Jumping Crocodile Cruise • Kakadu National Park • Aboriginal Rock Art • Nitmiluk Gorge Cruise • Leliyn (Edith Falls) • Yellow Water Billabong Cruise

As this Short Break departs at 7.25am from Darwin, accommodations will need to be pre-booked for the previous night.

1 Darwin – Jumping Crocodile Cruise – Kakadu

Cruise on the Adelaide River, home to over 1,600 crocodiles, on the Jumping Crocodile cruise. See these prehistoric creatures up-close, as they launch themselves out of the water. Then travel into Kakadu National Park. The combination of mangrove fringed coastal areas, expansive flood plains, lowland hills, and open woodland and forest habitats, make Kakadu one of the most diverse landscapes you'll ever experience. It's home to a myriad of animals, hundreds of bird species and thousands of different insects and plants. Enjoy lunch in Kakadu National Park before a stop at the Marrawuddi Art Gallery. Continue to Ubirr, where you'll climb up through the ancient Aboriginal rock art galleries, believed to be 20,000 years old, to the lookout for a spectacular view over the surrounding wetlands. There is the opportunity for a 30-minute scenic flight (own expense). **Hotel: Mercure Kakadu Crocodile, Jabiru. L**

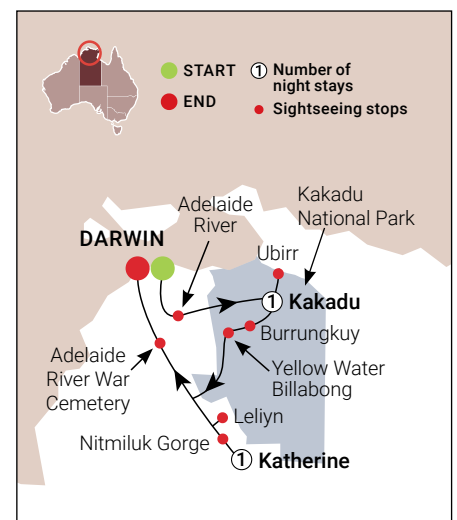
2 Kakadu – Katherine

You'll be mesmerized as you wander around the Nourlangie Rock art site. It has provided shelter to the indigenous people for many thousands of years, and while taking shelter, the rock evolved into a canvas that illustrates the traditional owner's very deep spiritual culture. With your Driver Guide, you'll have the opportunity to see

many different forms of Aboriginal rock art paintings. The Bininj people are the traditional custodians of Kakadu and now you'll visit the Warradjan Cultural Centre where you will be introduced to their way of life. Later, join your local guide for a cruise on Yellow Water Billabong, Kakadu's most famous wetland. The picturesque yellow waters are home to thousands of saltwater crocodiles and up to 60 species of colorful birdlife. This afternoon we travel to Katherine, the third largest town in the Northern Territory, stopping at Leliyn (Edith Falls) along the way. The paperbark and pandanus fringed natural pool at the base of the falls is suitable for swimming throughout most of the year (conditions permitting). **Hotel: Contour. B L**

3 Katherine – Depart Darwin

Enjoy a morning cruise through Nitmiluk Gorge. One of the most visited sites in Australia's Top End, it is a stunning network of thirteen gorges carved from billion-year-old sandstone that are home to many rapids and falls, flowing from the Katherine River. The cruise will put you at the heart of Nitmiluk (Katherine) Gorge among freshwater crocodiles, wonderful birdlife, and some of the most amazing scenery the Northern Territory has to offer. Afterwards look through the Nitmiluk Visitor Centre. The Display Centre and Heritage Museum features large scale models illustrating the flora, fauna, and rock formations of the park. If you would like to purchase your own memory of Nitmiluk, the center has a range of souvenirs and artefacts handmade by the Jawoyn people. Next stop



Pine Creek an historic gold mining town, then a stop at the Adelaide River War Cemetery, the resting place for many of those killed in the World War II air raids on Darwin, before returning to Darwin, where your short break concludes. **B**

As this Short Break concludes at 6.00pm, you may like to pre-book accommodations for tonight.

Add on a day to include a tour to Litchfield National Park or Tiwi Islands. Visit aatkings.com/D11 or TFER.

Cairns & the Great Barrier Reef

CC11

4 DAYS

Skyrail Rainforest Cableway



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DEPARTS

Year-round

CONCLUDES

Morning of day 4

CAIRNS RETURN : Great Barrier Reef • Skyrail Rainforest Cableway • Kuranda Scenic Railway • Kuranda Heritage Markets • World Heritage Rainforest

1 Arrive Cairns

On arrival at Cairns Airport, make your own way to your hotel (flights anytime). The rest of the day is at leisure. **Hotel: Flynn, 3 nights.**

2 Great Barrier Reef

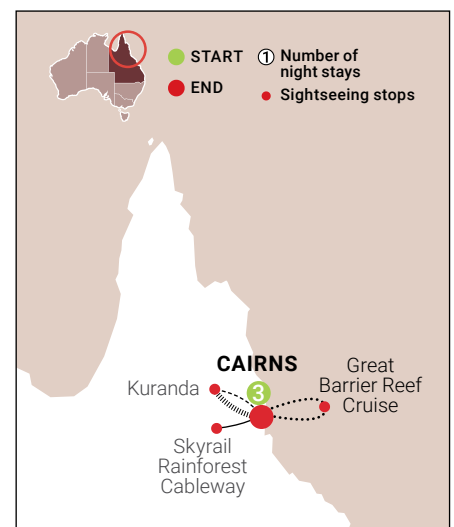
Join us for a unique outer Great Barrier Reef cruise, where the Sunlover catamaran docks alongside a floating pontoon, stationed in a natural lagoon fringed with beautiful coral at Moore Reef. With a wide range of inclusive activities, you can explore and delight in the wonders of this extraordinary natural wonder. Moore Reef offers crystal-clear waters, vibrant coral gardens, abundant marine life, and friendly resident turtles and Maori wrasse, creating the ultimate destination to experience the magnificence of the outer reef. Choose your preferred way to discover the reef, whether snorkeling (equipment provided) in the natural lagoon or stay dry with the semi-submersible and glass bottom boat tours. Explore the fascinating underwater world at the underwater observatory, where you can marvel at the most impressive natural fish tank and engage with marine life during our captivating fish feeding presentation. Enjoy fun-filled moments in the enclosed ocean pool or experience the thrill of swirling down Sunlover's 30-meter spiral waterslide into the tropical ocean. Enjoy a tropical-inspired buffet lunch on the water before returning to Cairns late afternoon. **B L**

3 Scenic Railway – Kuranda – Skyrail

Enjoy the journey from Cairns to Freshwater Train Station on board a luxury coach. Along the way our expert local guides will tell you the stories of Kuranda's fascinating history before leaving you to explore on your own. On board the famous railway, enjoy the scenic journey to Kuranda, with breathtaking views of the mountain ranges, tropical rainforest and across the rocky Barron Gorge and waterfalls. Along the way listen to the stories of the early pioneers who labored to build the rail line in the 1800s. Upon arrival in Kuranda, it's time to explore this fascinating village at your own leisure. The Kuranda Heritage Markets are full of colorful and interesting arts and crafts. You might also like to visit Birdworld, the Australian Butterfly Sanctuary, or Kuranda Koala Gardens (all own expense), so make sure to use the coupon on your boarding pass for discounted entry. Described as the World's most beautiful rainforest experience, you'll be amazed as you journey over and through World Heritage Listed Rainforest on the cableway. This iconic rainforest experience includes time at both Red Peak and Barron Falls stations, both with lookouts offering spectacular views across the Barron Falls waterfall. Complimentary guided boardwalk tours are offered throughout the day at Red Peak Station. Meet your local guide at the cableway's Smithfield Terminal and relax on your coach transfer back to Cairns. **B**

4 Depart Cairns

Your Short Break concludes this morning after breakfast. Make your own way to Cairns Airport (flights anytime). **B**



Tropical Reef & Rainforest

PD11

4 DAYS

Walk in Daintree Rainforest



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DEPARTS

Year-round

CONCLUDES

Morning of day 4

CAIRNS RETURN : Aboriginal Cultural Experience • Painting Class • Traditional Smoking Ceremony • Art Gallery • Mossman Gorge • Daintree Rainforest • Great Barrier Reef Cruise

1 Cairns – Port Douglas

On arrival at Cairns Airport, make your own way to your hotel in Port Douglas (flights anytime). The rest of the day is at leisure.

Hotel: Oaks Resort, 3 nights.

2 Aboriginal Art and Culture

Join a Kubirri Warra clan member on an authentic coastal adventure across the beach, mudflats, and mangroves of their ancestral fishing grounds. Learn about traditional bush medicines and foods and try your hand at throwing a traditional fishing spear! Continue to Mossman Gorge, stroll along trails and elevated boardwalks through the World Heritage Listed rainforest as your driver guide shares stories and insights. Learn about the local Kuku Yalanji people's special relationship with the land here. Return to the Mossman Gorge Centre for a tasty lunch infused with local bush flavors at the Mayi Café. Afterwards, visit Janbal Gallery for an art class with Aboriginal artist Brian 'Binna' Swindley. Here, learn ancient Dreamtime stories, local history and how these are shared through their art. Create your own unique souvenir to take home with you in the form of a canvas you paint with the guidance of Binna, to tell your own story with techniques you will learn.

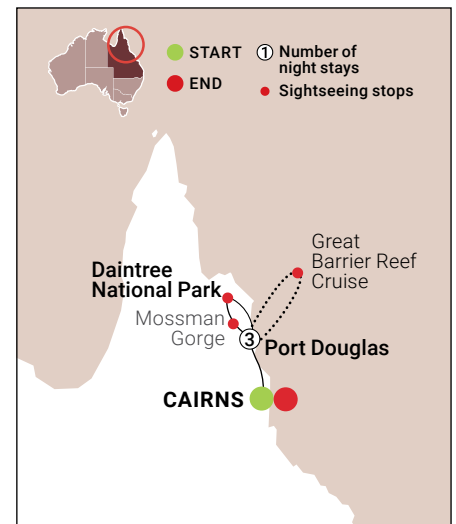
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3 Great Barrier Reef

Quicksilver's wavepiercing catamaran and friendly crew will take you to Agincourt Reef, at the very edge of Australia's Continental Shelf, an underwater world that is dazzling kaleidoscope of color and brilliance. Choose to dive, snorkel, or stay dry and explore the stunning reef from the comfort of a Quicksilver semi-sub, just one meter underwater. Watch the fish feeding from Quicksilver's unique underwater viewing platform and underwater observatory. Entering the dramatic beauty of the Great Barrier Reef is an extraordinary experience. It's a day that engages all your senses, lifts your spirit and takes you into another realm. Sharing the wonder of the world's largest living entity, realizing its breathtaking color and majesty, seeing nature at its most perfect is an awakening and, quite simply, the memory of a lifetime. A tropical buffet lunch is served before you return to Port Douglas. **B L**

4 Port Douglas – Depart Cairns

Your Short Break concludes this morning after breakfast. Make your own way to Cairns Airport (flights anytime). **B**



Day Tours

Full or Half day Sightseeing Tours

Enjoy Bucket List highlights on our selection of curated Day Tours, and allow our Driver Guides to enrich your experience with local knowledge and immersive stories. Day Tours are the perfect add-ons to Short Breaks or Guided Vacations, or equally ideal for independent travelers. All you need to do is sit back, relax, and leave the driving to us.

What's included on a Day Tour?

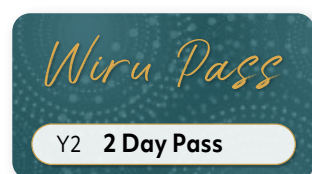
- Travel in purpose-built air-conditioned coaches with reclining seats and WiFi where available
- The services of a highly experienced Driver Guide
- Cultural activities in your destinations
- Community engagement activities



Uluru Sightseeing *Passes*

Experience all the wonders of the Red Centre by purchasing one of our convenient and comprehensive passes and save on the cost of individual tours.

Your pass is valid for 3 consecutive days from the start of your first tour and includes the Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park Pass.



2 Day Pass Includes:

Uluru Sacred Sites & Sunset (Y17) +
Uluru Sunrise & Field of Light (FOL)
Add on Uluru BBQ (Code: BBQA)



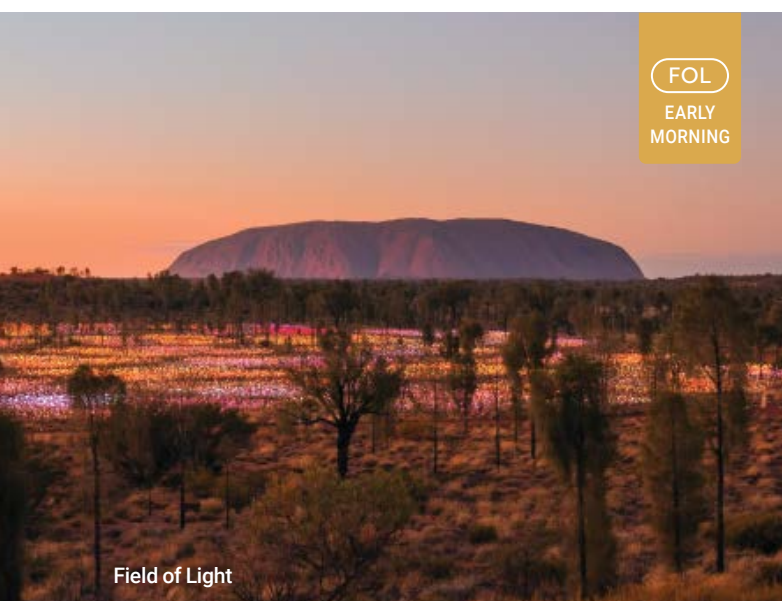
2 Day Pass Includes:

Uluru Sacred Sites & Sunset (Y17) +
Uluru Sunrise & Kata Tjuta (Y14)
Add on Uluru BBQ (Code: BBQA)
Add on Kings Canyon (Code: Y19)



3 Day Pass Includes:

Uluru Sacred Sites & Sunset (Y17) +
Kata Tjuta Sunset (Y8) +
Uluru Sunrise & Field of Light (FOL)
Add on Uluru BBQ (Code: BBQA)



Field of Light

Uluru Sunrise & Field of Light

Internationally acclaimed artist Bruce Munro is noted for his immersive site-specific installations that employ light to evoke emotional response, often in an outdoor context and on a monumental scale. His Field of Light, inspired by a trip to Uluru over 30 years ago, is installed in a remote desert area within sight of majestic Uluru. It is his largest installation to date, with Munro and his team installing more than 50,000 slender stems crowned with radiant frosted glass spheres. It is truly a magical sight to behold.

DEPARTS

105 minutes prior to sunrise
from Ayers Rock Resort

RETURNS

30 minutes after sunrise

National Park Pass is not required.

For latest pricing, days of departure and itinerary details, visit aatkings.com/FOL



Tiwi Islands

Tiwi Islands Aboriginal Cultural Tour

After a 2½ hour ferry ride, you will be led by a local guide through the modern-day Aboriginal community of Wurrumiyanga. At the museum view art and displays of Tiwi 'dreamtime' stories. Explore the Early Mission Precinct with its unique Tiwi-style Catholic Church. Take a break for lunch. Spend time with some Tiwi ladies while they work on their painting. They will also demonstrate their totem dances and perform a smoking ceremony to bless the visitors. Visit the Tiwi Arts & Crafts Centre where you can buy art at island prices.

DEPARTS

Make your own way to Cullen Bay Ferry Terminal for 7.30am check-in and 8.00am departure

RETURNS

Depart Bathurst Island at 3.15pm to arrive in Darwin at 5.45pm approximately

For latest pricing, days of departure & itinerary details, visit aatkings.com/TFER

Red Centre & Top End

*Price does not include Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park Pass.
See next page for details.

Uluru Sunrise & Kata Tjuta*

The early rise is well worth it as you experience the two major landmarks in Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park. Start with an amazing sunrise at Talinguru Nyakunytjaku, the Uluru sunrise viewing area. Afterwards, on the 45 kms drive to Kata Tjuta your Driver Guide will provide you with an historical overview of the National Park. The walk through the sheer walls of Walpa Gorge won't disappoint as you're led into a world of rare plant species and lush evergreen scrubs.

DEPARTS

90 minutes prior to sunrise from Ayers Rock Resort

RETURNS

5 hrs approximately after sunrise



Y14
HALF DAY

Uluru Sacred Sites & Sunset* + BBQ Dinner

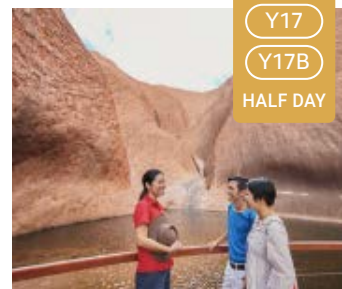
Visit Uluru-Kata Tjuta Cultural Centre and then travel around the base of Uluru. Learn about flora, fauna and cultural traditions of traditional owners, the Anangu, and visit an array of sacred sites. At the Mutitjulu Waterhole, you'll explore a number of caves and view Aboriginal rock paintings as your Guide interprets their meaning and significance. Later, travel to the Uluru sunset viewing area relax with sparkling wine, beer or soft drink as the setting sun changes the color of Uluru. Add on our exclusive BBQ Dinner Y17B. See below.

DEPARTS

2.30pm (Apr-Oct) and 3.00pm (Nov-Mar)
from Ayers Rock Resort

RETURNS

Y17 30 minutes or
Y17B 2½ hours approximately after sunset



Y17
Y17B
HALF DAY

Uluru Sunset* + BBQ Dinner

Travel to the Uluru sunset viewing area. Enjoy sparkling wine as the sun sets over the western horizon and the evening sky brings out the many shades of color for which Uluru is famous. Add on our exclusive BBQ Dinner Y11B. Enjoy sparkling wine on arrival and dine on favorites from the grill, a selection of fresh salads, a tasty dessert and Australian wine. Top off the evening with a talk about the spectacular night sky.

DEPARTS

60 minutes prior to sunset from
Ayers Rock Resort

RETURNS

Y11 30 minutes or
Y11B 2½ hours approximately after sunset



Y11
Y11B
EARLY EVENING

Ayers Rock Resort to Alice Springs

Travel through spectacular desert scenery from Ayers Rock Resort. Pass through Curtin Springs Station and see Atila (Mt. Conner). Call in at Eildunda, a roadhouse located at the junction of the Stuart and Lasseter Highways, where you can purchase afternoon tea. Continue along the Stuart Highway before arriving in Alice Springs.

DEPARTS

12.30pm (Oct-Mar)
1.00pm (Apr-Sep)

RETURNS

6.30pm (Oct-Mar) and 7.00pm (Apr-Sep)
(times approximate)



Y6
TRANSFER

A Town like Alice

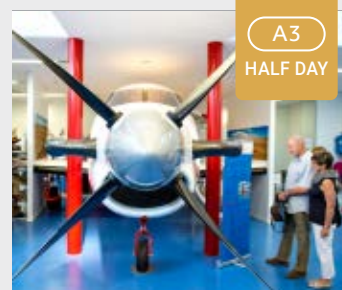
Tour the sights of 'The Alice' including the School of the Air and the historic Telegraph Station, which marks the original site of the first European settlement in Alice Springs. Visit the Royal Flying Doctor Service, where you'll see how medical aid reaches those who live in the remote outback. Call in at the Alice Springs Reptile Centre and end the day with a panoramic view of Alice Springs and the MacDonnell Ranges from the top of Anzac Hill. Add on a visit to Alice Springs Desert Park A3D.

DEPARTS

1.05pm from Alice Springs (earlier from your hotel)

RETURNS

6.00pm approximately



A3
HALF DAY

Darwin City Sights

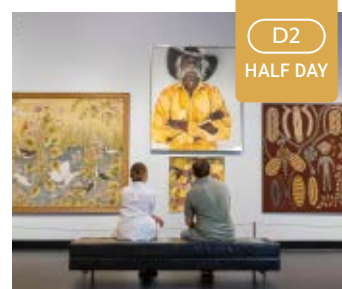
Visit the Darwin Aviation Museum to view the impressive collection of 19 aircraft on display, including the iconic B-52 Bomber, on loan from the United States Air Force. Continue to the Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory, a treasure trove of artistic, cultural and scientific collections. It houses the largest permanent display of Aboriginal art in Australia. Afterwards, visit the lush Botanic Gardens, where you'll discover a diverse array of plant life. Conclude your tour at the Royal Flying Doctor Service Darwin Facility, gaining insight into the vital role of this iconic institution in providing medical assistance to remote communities across the Northern Territory.

DEPARTS

8.30am from Darwin

RETURNS

2.00pm approximately



D2
HALF DAY

Top End & Cairns

*Price does not include NT Parks Pass.
See below for details.

Kakadu National Park Explorer

World Heritage listed and the largest National Park in Australia, Kakadu is one of the most diverse landscapes you'll ever experience, and you'll be amazed at the population of wildlife in the water, on the land and in the air. See some of the most amazing terrain Australia has to offer on your way to and inside Kakadu. Marvel at the concentration of rock art sites that illustrate Aboriginal culture, some dating 50,000 years. **Includes lunch.** **NT Parks Pass is included.**

DEPARTS

6.30am from Darwin

RETURNS

7.30pm approximately



D4
FULL DAY

Jumping Crocs & Nature Adventure

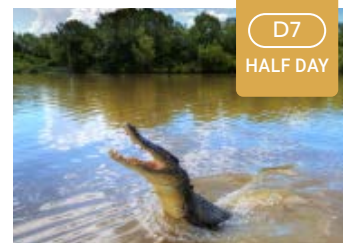
Join us on the Adelaide River, home to over 1600 crocodiles, for the Jumping Crocodiles tour. Cruise the river and thrill as these awesome creatures launch themselves out of the water. The cruise will enable you to see these prehistoric creatures at close range. Afterwards, continue to Howard Springs Nature Park, a great place to enjoy wildlife including turtles, barramundi, and freshwater fish species.

DEPARTS

1.30pm from Darwin

RETURNS

6.30pm approximately



D7
HALF DAY

Nitmiluk Gorge Cruise & Edith Falls*

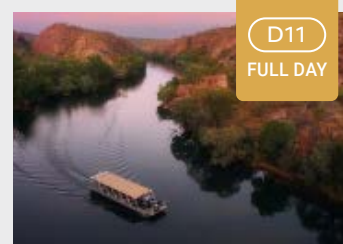
Stop at the Adelaide River War Cemetery. Continue to Edith Falls for a swim in the waterhole beneath the falls (conditions permitting). Cruise through Nitmiluk (Katherine) Gorge with a chance to see freshwater crocodiles. The cruise of the first two gorges takes us past sheer rock walls and requires a short walk to reach the second gorge. Return to Darwin through Katherine, and via Pine Creek for a comfort stop. **Includes lunch.**

DEPARTS

6.30am from Darwin

RETURNS

8.30pm approximately



D11
FULL DAY

Cape Tribulation, Daintree & Mossman Gorge

Travel to Mossman Gorge and learn about the secrets of one of the world's oldest rainforests. Cruise on the Daintree River, home to estuarine crocodiles, where you'll spot local wildlife and unique plants. After a tropical lunch in the rainforest, stroll along Cape Tribulation Beach. Stop for an afternoon refreshment at the Daintree Ice Cream Company. Wind through the rainforest to the Alexandra Lookout and enjoy views over the Daintree River estuary and beyond to the Coral Sea.

DEPARTS

6.45am from Cairns

RETURNS

6.30pm approximately



CTR
FULL DAY

Kuranda, Scenic Railway & Skyrail

Board the Kuranda Scenic Railway at Freshwater Station for a historical rail journey, enjoying breathtaking views across the cane fields to tropical rainforest. In Kuranda it's time to explore this fascinating village. The Heritage Markets are full of arts and crafts. Later, board the Skyrail Rainforest Cableway for your journey over and through World Heritage protected rainforest. This 90-minute experience showcases spectacular views, with time at both Red Peak and Barron Falls Stations for education and interpretation.

DEPARTS

From 7.15am from Cairns

RETURNS

4.00pm approximately



KQS
FULL DAY

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Northern Territory Parks Pass (separate from Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park Pass): The price of this pass must be added to the Day Tour prices in this brochure, where indicated.

These are additional compulsory government charges and are subject to change without notice. You must carry your pass with you every time you enter the National Parks or you will be required to purchase another. **Visit aatkings.com/park-passes for further information.**

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AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND



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Your small group journey will be curated perfectly, with no detail forgotten, ensuring your travels are seamless, relaxing, and timed to perfection. An expert Journey Director will share iconic sites with you, ones that promise moments of awe and wonder, uncovering hidden stories and revealing a destination's best-kept secrets. You'll savor culinary delights and meet local makers, creators, and storytellers who are passionate about sharing these unique lands.

This is where your *journey* begins.




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We offer our respect and gratitude to the First Nations, Torres Strait Islander and Māori custodians who have nurtured the land and its cultures for so many millennia, and who are now some of our most trusted partners.

START EXPLORING



The Long White Cloud 12
19/13/10 days • NZIJ / NZWC / NZSI

Traverse the dramatic contrasts of the North and South Islands, as you discover the extraordinary natural landscapes and rich ancient heritage.

Australia's Hidden Wonders 14
10 days • IJSPD

Uncover Australia's iconic landmarks and best kept secrets on this expertly curated journey. From Sydney's vibrant culinary scene to the mesmerizing beauty of Uluru and the Great Barrier Reef.

Northern Territory Dreaming 16
12 days • MNCR

The wild majesty of the Top End and the dramatic landscapes of Australia's Red Centre combine on this unforgettable journey.

Kakadu's Ancient Secrets 18
6 days • MNDD

Be awe-struck by Australia's Top End, where you'll discover untamed waterfalls, vast wetlands and ancient cultures.

Outback Contrasts 20
6 days • CRAA





Witness the rugged landscape of the Red Centre and the ancient cultures that have cared for this land for generations.

Tasting Tasmania & Flinders Island 22
7 days • IJTLFL

Discover historic towns and quaint coastal villages in Tasmania's nature-blessed north. Cruise Wineglass Bay, fly to Flinders Island, and visit the famous orange lichen-covered rocks in between.



Look for these icons to learn about your small group experience:

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yourself in new experiences
-  **INDULGE**
your senses
-  **EXPLORE**
boundless landscapes
-  **RELAX**
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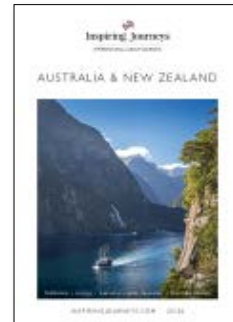
South Australia Murray River Cruise & Wine 24
7 days • SAMA

Adelaide's famous food markets, award-winning cellar doors, and the serenity of the Murray River. This is your perfect itinerary.

Kimberley Gorges & Gibb River Road 26
11 days • IJBB

Explore the rugged landscapes of the Kimberley, stay at secluded lodges, cruise dramatic rivers, and uncover this amazing outback wilderness.

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Cover story:
Cruise on Milford Sound

A place so magnificent needs more than a day to explore, so spend a night on the water surrounded by nature within the fiord. Relax and recharge, spot dolphins playing, and seals basking in the sun.

Experience this on [The Long White Cloud](#), pg 12.

THE INSPIRING JOURNEYS EXPERIENCE



Visit Fork it Farm on Tasting Tasmania & Flinders Island, pg 22.

MEET FARMERS,

Kevin + Lyn

Leaving the corporate world behind, these two passionate foodies moved to Lebrina, in Tasmania to raise heritage Berkshire pigs on open pastures. Their farm, which also hosts cattle, sheep, bees and lush orchards, creates fresh farm produce which you'll sample for lunch. While enjoying local Clover Hill wines, you'll hear stories from this inspiring pair, about the surprises, challenges and many rewards that farm life brings when you care for the land as much as this family.



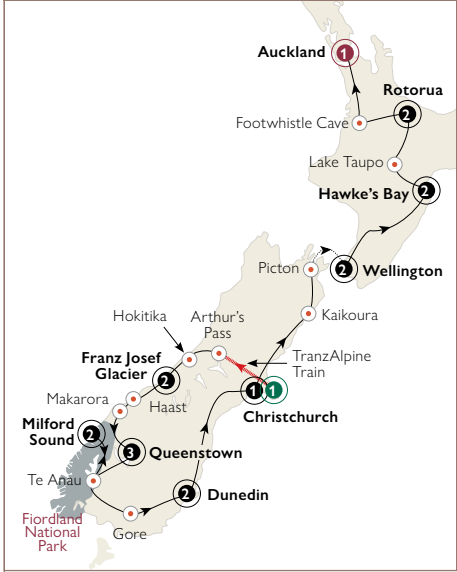
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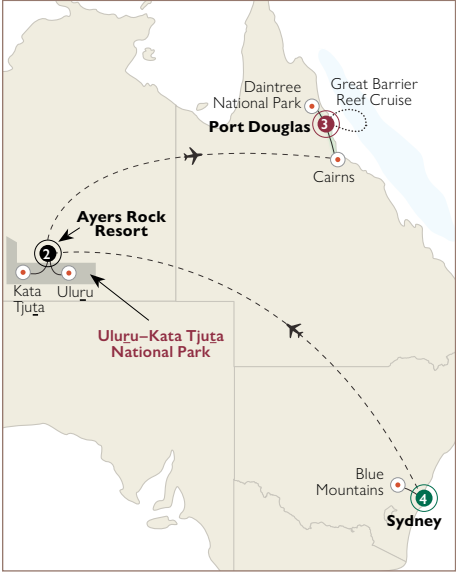
Milford Mariner

Spend the night on the Milford Mariner, and cruise past thundering waterfalls, towering mountain peaks, and hidden rainforests veiled by mist. Then, as night falls, expect stars illuminating the sky and silence only achievable from deep within the Fiordland National Park. Enjoy your morning coffee while viewing the tranquil waters of this UNESCO World Heritage site.

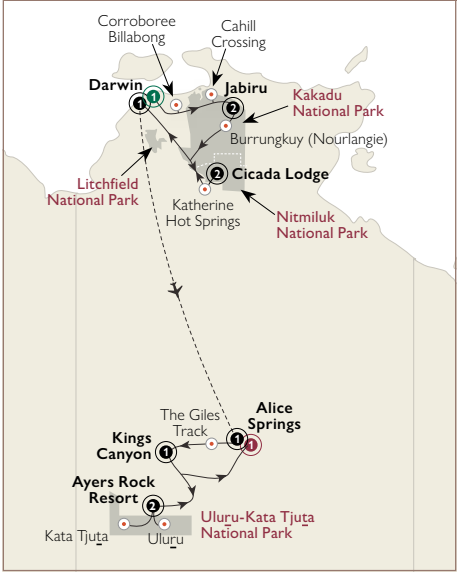
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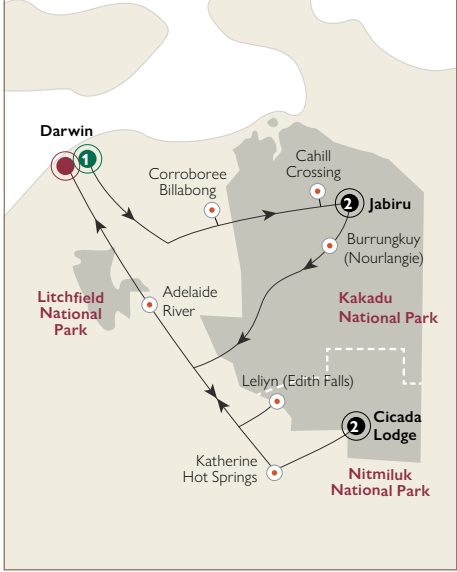
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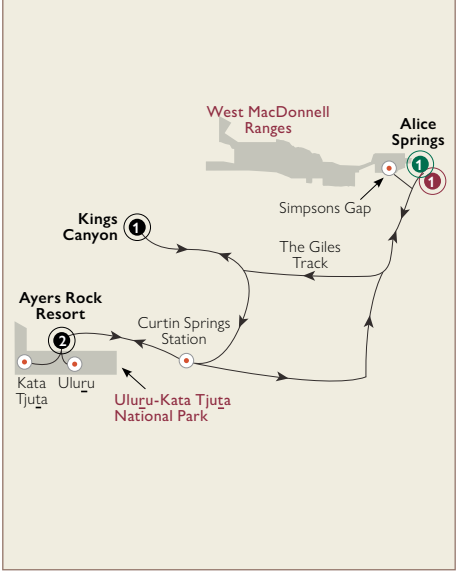
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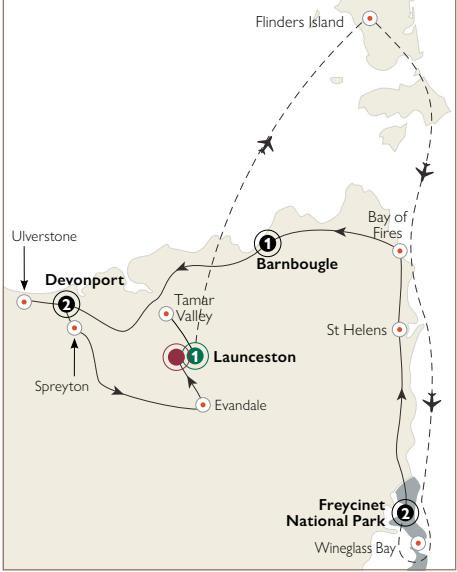
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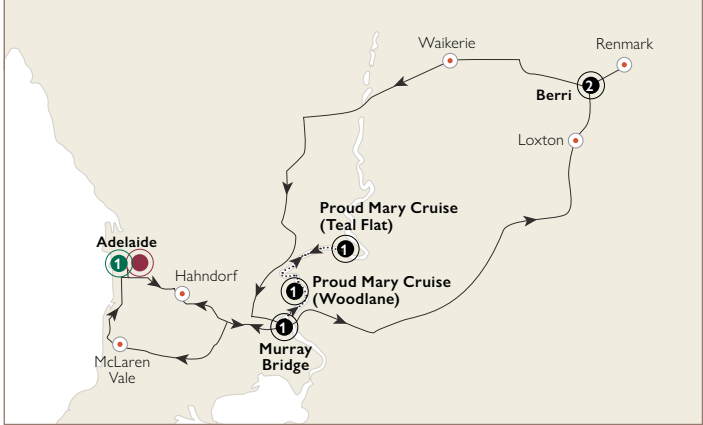
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LIFE ENRICHING MOMENTS



Experience Whirinaki Forest guided cultural walk on The Long White Cloud, pg 12.



Dine at the Currant Shed on SA Murray River Cruise & Wine, pg 24.

Immerse

YOURSELF IN NEW EXPERIENCES

Dive deep and absorb every small detail of your destination. Embrace the opportunities to connect with descendants of ancient cultures. Go behind the scenes to experience life like a local. Immerse yourself in the sights, scents, sounds, and folklore that make every stop on your journey memorable.

 Look for this icon to find Immerse highlights

Indulge

YOUR SENSES

Meet growers, creators, winemakers, and chefs while dining and basking in the local atmosphere. Savor award-winning wines and sample regional flavors, as you embark on a culinary journey unwinding in spectacular surrounds.

 Look for this icon to find Indulge highlights




Explore Kings Canyon on Northern Territory Dreaming, pg 16.

Explore

BOUNDLESS LANDSCAPES

Embrace your adventurous spirit and begin an exploration. Visit wondrous places, discover paths less traveled, and experience awe-inspiring wilderness. Icons paired with captivating in-depth insights, enhancing your time in destination.

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Stay at Furneaux Lodge on The Long White Cloud, pg 12.

Relax

AND RECHARGE

Your travels will be seamless and curated to perfection, with Special Stays. At a relaxed pace, you'll have more time to enjoy each location. From vineyard estates to forest lodges, city dwellings to coastal escapes, your stays will be in authentic accommodations which highlights your chosen destination.

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Independent reviews from our guests

"The success of this trip with Inspiring Journeys really relied heavily on the competence, attitude and service culture of our group leader and our driver. They were exceptional (and we have traveled extensively with a variety of companies). Their performance would give me confidence to travel with Inspiring Journeys again."

Sue H ★★★★★ 5.0/5

"The trip Exceeded my expectations. The Journey Director was outstanding and Driver was good company and courteous as well as being a very safe driver."

Maree G ★★★★★ 5.0/5

"Everything was perfectly planned and executed. The itinerary covered almost all of the places we wanted to see on the South Island of NZ."

James S ★★★★★ 5.0/5

HANDCRAFTED BY OUR EXPERTS TO CREATE YOUR JOURNEY *of a lifetime.*

Inspiring Journeys is a series of expertly curated moments, it's the perfect blend of iconic sites and landscapes while revealing a destination's best-kept secrets. Expect a specialized and in-depth journey within a small group.

Small Groups

With an average group size of 16 guests, this grants you access to paths less traveled and lodgings out of reach for larger groups.

Only Outstanding Experiences

Each special travel highlight has been carefully selected and seamlessly planned to create an immersive experience for you.

Journey Director


Brimming with knowledge, stories and expertise, Journey Directors will provide captivating insights allowing you to understand your chosen destination in depth.

Special Stays

Expect authentic and memorable stays ones that deliver charm, whether it is a forest eco-retreat or a riverboat cabin with spectacular views.

Unique Dining

From native bushfoods to rustic outback dining, and award-winning restaurants to world-class wine tasting, these included experiences will inspire the senses.



Bungle Bungle,
Western Australia

THE LONG WHITE CLOUD

AUCKLAND | TAURANGA | ROTORUA | MARLBOROUGH SOUNDS | WELLINGTON | LAKE ŌHAU | MILFORD SOUND/PIOPIOTAHU | WĀNAKA | CHRISTCHURCH

19
DAYS



Lake Wakatipu

IMMERSE

Discover a fantasy land at Hobbiton Movie Set and learn about Māori culture at Te Pā Tū. Experience Napier's Art Deco charm and take a guided walk through the prehistoric Whirinaki Forest.

INDULGE

Enjoy culinary delights, from native flavors to outstanding local wine. Experience an elegant High Tea, and dine Craggy Range Winery, New Zealand's 2024 top restaurant.

EXPLORE

New Zealand's breathtaking landscapes: beauty of mystical Milford Sound, Franz Josef's dramatic glaciers, Marlborough Sounds' peaceful waters.

RELAX

Wake up amidst nature at these unique stays: Milford Mariner on the stunning fiord, scenic elegance at Furneaux Lodge and tranquillity at Te Waonui Forest Retreat.

Traverse New Zealand's North and South Islands, exploring hidden wonders and iconic landscapes. Witness majestic glaciers, shimmering lakes and ancient rainforests brimming with wildlife. Immerse yourself in rich cultural experiences, fresh seasonal fare, world class wines and scenic stays. Experience a journey like no other.

Day 1: Welcome to Auckland

Upon your arrival in Auckland, you'll be greeted with a private transfer to QT Auckland hotel for a Welcome Reception with drinks and canapés.

HOTEL QT Auckland

Day 2: Auckland – Tauranga

Experience the seaside atmosphere at Mission Bay and Bastion Point before heading to the iconic Hobbiton Movie Set for a guided tour.

HOTEL Trinity Wharf Tauranga

MEALS Breakfast, dinner

Day 3: Tauranga – Rotorua

Visit the National Kiwi Hatchery Aotearoa, where passionate conservationists are working to save the kiwi population. End your day learning about Māori culture at Te Pā Tū and enjoy a seasonal three-course dinner.

HOTEL Pullman Rotorua, 2 nights

MEALS Breakfast, dinner

Day 4: Rotorua

Enjoy a leisurely day in Rotorua. Perhaps relax in natural hot springs.

MEALS Breakfast

Day 5: Rotorua – Napier

Take a tour of Whirinaki Forest, a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience. Discover this ancient rainforest with a local expert. Indulge in dinner with wine at Craggy Range Winery, New Zealand's 2024 top restaurant.

HOTEL Porters Boutique Hotel, 2 nights

MEALS Breakfast, lunch, dinner

Day 6: Napier

Embark on an adventure with Gannet Safaris Overland at Cape Kidnappers, where you'll explore a private nature reserve and witness thousands of gannets in their natural habitat on this MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience. Later, experience Napier's Art Deco heritage on a vintage car tour.

MEALS Breakfast

Day 7: Napier – Wellington

Upon your arrival in Wellington see the city sights. You may wish to visit Te Papa, Museum of New Zealand and discover a treasure trove of artefacts. Guests join this afternoon in Wellington (Code: NZWC).

HOTEL Naumi Hotel Wellington

MEALS Breakfast, dinner

Day 8: Marlborough Sounds

Depart Wellington and cross the Cook Strait aboard the Interislander ferry to Picton. From there, a private sea transfer will take you to Furneaux Lodge in the serene Queen Charlotte Sound.

HOTEL Furneaux Lodge, 2 nights

MEALS Breakfast, dinner

Day 9: Marlborough Sounds

Today is yours to explore the Marlborough Sounds, a picturesque labyrinth of bays, inlets, and islands. Or relax at Furneaux Lodge.

MEALS Breakfast

Day 10: Marlborough Sounds – Christchurch

Leave the tranquillity of Marlborough Sounds and travel southwards to Christchurch, passing through the coastal town of Kaikōura, known for its incredible coastal vistas. **Guests join this afternoon in Christchurch (Code: NZSI).**

HOTEL Hotel Montreal

MEALS Breakfast

Day 11: Christchurch – Lake Ōhau



Explore Christchurch's vibrant city sights and then visit the historical Church of the Good Shepherd in Lake Tekapo. **Continue to Mt. Cook Lakeside Retreat for a High Tea experience with local sparkling wine.** Conclude your day at Lake Ōhau Lodge, surrounded by the majestic Southern Alps.

HOTEL Lake Ōhau Lodge

MEALS Breakfast, dinner

Day 12: Lake Ōhau – Queenstown



Travel through Lindis Pass to Cromwell, stopping at Mrs. Jones Orchard and Highlands Museum. Enjoy a special wine tasting and delicious lunch at Kinross cellar door in Gibbston Valley before arriving in Arrowtown, a charming village with a gold rush heritage. Finish the day in Queenstown.

HOTEL The Rees, 2 nights

MEALS Breakfast, lunch

Day 13: Queenstown

Today, explore Queenstown your way. In the evening, dine at the Bathhouse, which offers spectacular lakeside views and local cuisine.

MEALS Breakfast, dinner

Day 14: Queenstown – Milford Sound



Take a scenic journey through Fiordland National Park to Milford Sound. Cruise aboard the Milford Mariner for an exclusive overnight experience, enjoying stunning waterfalls, rainforests, and wildlife sightings.

CRUISE Milford Mariner

MEALS Breakfast, lunch, dinner

Day 15: Milford Sound – Wānaka

Depart Milford Sound for Wānaka. This afternoon, explore your hotel's scenic surroundings. Enjoy dinner with wine overlooking the lake's serene beauty.

HOTEL Edgewater Lake Wānaka Hotel

MEALS Breakfast, dinner

Day 16: Wānaka – Franz Josef



Travel through Lake Hawea and Makarora to the West Coast town of Haast. **Experience an exhilarating jet boat adventure on the Haast River** before arriving at Te Waonui Forest Retreat in Franz Josef.

HOTEL Te Waonui Forest Retreat, 2 nights

MEALS Breakfast, dinner

Day 17: Franz Josef



Discover Franz Josef's natural wonders with a local guide, exploring its glaciers and lush rainforests.

MEALS Breakfast

Day 18: Franz Josef – Christchurch



Depart Franz Josef and stop in Hokitika for a walking tour highlighting the region's rich heritage. **Board the TranzAlpine train for a scenic journey through Arthur's Pass to Christchurch.** Celebrate your journey with a special Celebration Dinner, reminiscing about your New Zealand adventures.

HOTEL Hotel Montreal

MEALS Breakfast, dinner

Day 19: Farewell from Christchurch

Transfer to Christchurch Airport for your departure. Reflect on the unforgettable experiences from your journey.

MEALS Breakfast



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NZIJ: Auckland to Christchurch (19 Days)

DEPARTURES

2025		2026	
Oct	13	Jan	26
Nov	03	Feb	09
Dec	22	Mar	09, 30

NZWC: Wellington to Christchurch (13 Days)

DEPARTURES

2025		2026	
Oct	19	Feb	01, 15
Nov	09	Mar	15
Dec	28	Apr	05

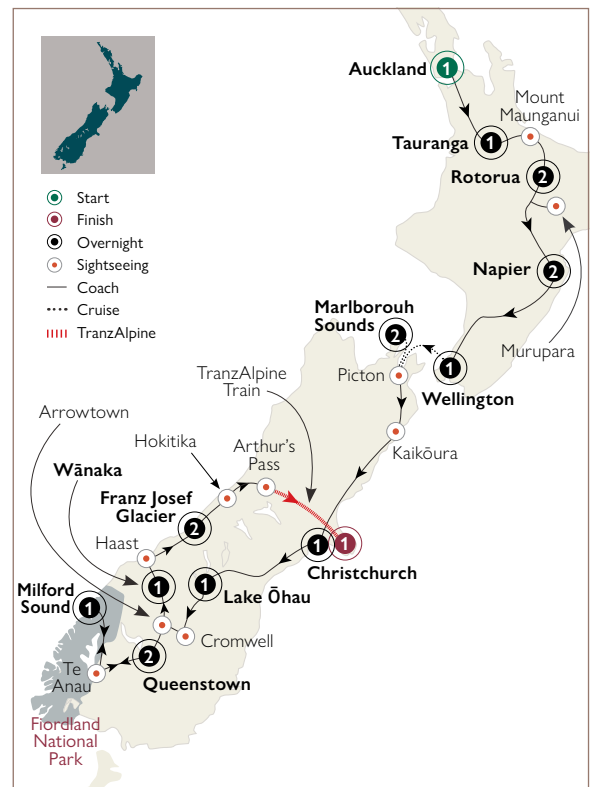
NZSI: Christchurch Return (10 Days)

DEPARTURES

2025		2026	
Oct	22	Jan	14
Nov	05, 12	Feb	04, 18, 25
Dec	03, 31	Mar	18
		Apr	08

INCLUSIONS

- Small group (average 16 guests)
- 32 included meals
- 18 nights premium and authentic accommodations



AUSTRALIA'S HIDDEN WONDERS

SYDNEY | BLUE MOUNTAINS | ULURU-KATA TJUṬA NATIONAL PARK | PORT DOUGLAS
| GREAT BARRIER REEF | DAINTREE RAINFOREST

10
DAYS



Sailaway Low Isles

IMMERSE

Learn about Australia's rich culture through Indigenous storytelling at Uluru, traditional Kuku Yalanji practices in the Daintree Rainforest and on a private guided tour of the Sydney Opera House.

INDULGE

Savor exceptional dining experiences showcasing the rich local culinary scene. From contemporary Australian dishes at Kiln to a curated multi-course meal at Crafted and a memorable dinner under the stars.

EXPLORE

Discover Australia's iconic landmarks. Explore the Sydney Opera House, marvel at the Three Sisters in the Blue Mountains, and experience the breathtaking beauty of Uluru and the Great Barrier Reef.

RELAX

Unwind in Sydney's stylish Ace Hotel, find serenity at Sails in the Desert, a remote retreat in the Red Centre, and relax in Port Douglas's tropical Pullman Sea Temple Resort.

Uncover Australia's iconic landmarks and best kept secrets on this expertly curated journey. From Sydney's vibrant culinary scene to the mesmerizing beauty of Uluru and the Great Barrier Reef. Explore natural wonders with local guides, taking in diverse landscapes and culture while creating unforgettable memories at every turn.

Day 1: Welcome to Sydney



Upon your arrival in Sydney, you'll be greeted by your Journey Director. Tonight, enjoy a Welcome Dinner with wine at Kiln, the rooftop restaurant at your accommodations, the stylish Ace Hotel. Savor a carefully curated menu that showcases contemporary Australian cuisine, infused with influences from Italy, Japan, and Southeast Asia. The boutique Ace Hotel provides a modern stay, it houses an impressive collection of Australian art and is conveniently located in the heart of Sydney.

HOTEL Ace Hotel, 4 nights

MEALS Dinner

Day 2: Sydney Highlights

- Start your day with a Sydney City Sights tour followed by a private guided tour inside the Sydney Opera House. You'll learn about its rich history and uncover the secrets behind this architectural marvel. The afternoon is yours to explore at your leisure. Choose to discover Bondi with our courtesy drop off or simply relax. This evening, you'll be guided on a private tour of the Art Gallery of New South Wales led by a knowledgeable gallery expert. Finally, indulge in a multi-course dinner with wine at Crafted, by acclaimed chef Matt Moran, featuring exquisite Australian cuisine.

MEALS Breakfast, dinner

Day 3: Blue Mountains National Park

- Visit Sydney Zoo and dive deep into Australia's wildlife and culture. Guided by an Indigenous expert, explore the world's oldest living culture and learn about the integral role of Australian animals in Aboriginal traditions. Enjoy free time in the charming mountain town of Leura. Before heading to Echo Point, where breathtaking views of the iconic Three Sisters rock formation await.

MEALS Breakfast

Day 4: Sydney at Leisure

Today, explore Sydney at your own pace. There's café hopping, strolling Sydney Harbour foreshore or perhaps visiting the historic Rocks District.

MEALS Breakfast

Day 5: Sydney - Uluru

Fly from Sydney to Uluru, where the vast red desert landscape welcomes you. Upon arrival, enjoy a free afternoon. **As night falls, prepare for an enchanting experience at the Wintjiri Wiru Cultural Light Show.** This immersive evening features captivating Indigenous storytelling, complemented by a spectacular light drone show and traditional music. Delight in a memorable dinner with wine under the stars, highlighting native Australian ingredients. Your accommodations for the next two nights, Sails in the Desert, is a tranquil retreat featuring an expansive pool for relaxation.

HOTEL Sails in the Desert, 2 nights

MEALS Breakfast, dinner

Day 6: Explore Uluru

This morning visit Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park, where you'll **embark on a walk through Walpa Gorge**. This ancient trail takes you through 36 towering red rock formations, offering you the chance to connect with the unique flora and fauna of the area. This afternoon, take the iconic Uluru Base walk, a 10.6-kilometre journey around the base of this sacred monolith. **Experience the ancient rock art and learn about the cultural significance of Uluru to the Anangu.** As the sun begins to set, gather for drinks with a stunning view of Uluru bathed in golden light.

MEALS Breakfast

Day 7: Uluru – Port Douglas

Before the sun rises, **visit the renowned Field of Light art installation by artist Bruce Munro.** Wander through a stunning landscape adorned with 50,000 glass spheres in different hues. This immersive artwork transforms as dawn breaks, creating a magical interplay of light and colour across the desert. After this memorable morning, fly from Uluru to Cairns, and transfer to the laidback coastal town of Port Douglas.

HOTEL Pullman Sea Temple Resort, 3 nights

MEALS Breakfast

Day 8: Great Barrier Reef

Cruise aboard the state-of-the-art catamaran, **Sailaway VI to the Great Barrier Reef.** You'll sail to Low Isles, a stunning coral cay island surrounded by tranquil azure waters. Unwind on the sun-soaked white sandy beaches or snorkel over vibrant coral gardens with a knowledgeable marine biologist. You can also explore the underwater world from a glass-bottom boat or embark on a guided heritage walk to learn about the island's nature and history. Enjoy delicious refreshments, including morning tea, a tropical buffet lunch with a variety of seafood, followed by afternoon tea with fresh fruit.

MEALS Breakfast, lunch

Day 9: Daintree Rainforest

Connect with the ancient traditions of the Kuku Yalanji people on a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience**, as you explore the Daintree Rainforest. This World Heritage listed Site features stunning landscapes, pristine beaches, diverse animal and plant life. Walk through the rainforest, home to over 3,000 plant species, including the towering Bull Kauri. End your day with a Celebration Dinner with wine, reflecting on your incredible experiences and cultural insights.

MEALS Breakfast, lunch, dinner

Day 10: Farewell from Port Douglas

As your journey comes to a close, enjoy a private transfer from Port Douglas to Cairns Airport as you take with you unforgettable experiences.

MEALS Breakfast



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DEPARTURES (2025-26 Season)

2025	2026
May 06	Jan 13
Jul 29	Feb 10
Sep 16	
Oct 21	
Nov 25	

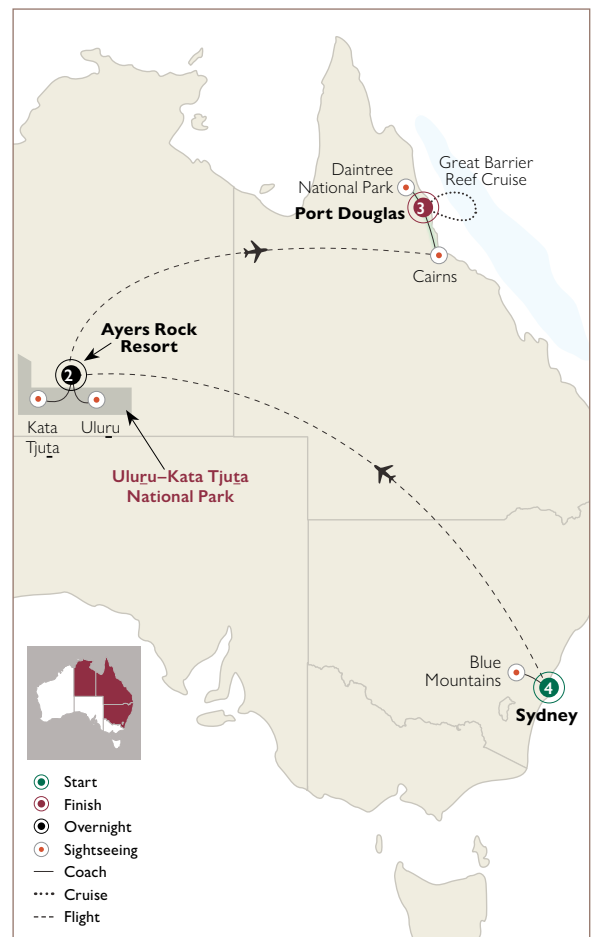
INCLUSIONS

- Small group (average 16 guests)
- 15 meals included
- 9 nights premium and authentic accommodations

NOTES

IJSPD: SYDNEY TO PORT DOUGLAS

- Day 1 – flights to arrive prior to 2.30pm into Sydney Airport
- Day 10 – flights to depart anytime from Cairns Airport
- Tour price includes internal vacation airfares.
- Private vehicle return airport to hotel transfers are included in the price.
- Flights to and from your tour are not included in the tour price.



NORTHERN TERRITORY DREAMING

DARWIN | KAKADU NATIONAL PARK | NITMILUK (KATHERINE) GORGE | ALICE SPRINGS | WEST MACDONNELL RANGES | KINGS CANYON | KATA TJUṬA | ULURU

12
DAYS



Corroboree Billabong

Be immersed into the very heartland of Australia and experience its most sacred landscapes, bountiful National Parks and waterfalls. Discover the Top End's striking landscape then journey to the magical Red Centre, seeing iconic Uluru, the mystical domes of Kata Tjuṭa, and windswept Walpa Gorge.

Day 1: Welcome to Darwin

Touch down in Darwin and transfer to your hotel, where the adventure begins. Dive straight into the essence of Australia's Northern Territory at Aboriginal Bush Traders, where your taste buds will be tantalized with native flavors, before you explore the indigenous art. Later, immerse yourself in the heart of Darwin, where every corner reveals a new story.

HOTEL Hilton Darwin

IMMERSE

Discover the rich Native Australian flavors at Aboriginal Bush Traders in Darwin, and embark on a journey through the ancient Aboriginal art galleries.

INDULGE

Unwind on an indulgent Nitmiluk (Katherine) Gorge dinner cruise, and dine at the award-winning Cicada Lodge.

EXPLORE

Enter Walpa Gorge, an ancient temple crafted by nature, and keep an eye out for crocodiles on the Corroboree Billabong.

RELAX

Unwind at Kings Canyon Resort, and stay in the heart of Nitmiluk at eco-friendly Cicada Lodge.

Day 2: Darwin – Kakadu National Park

- ✈ Departing Darwin, your journey begins with the serene beauty of the **Corroboree Billabong Wetland Cruise**, where you'll glide through pristine wetlands, spotting crocodiles and colorful birdlife. Continue to Kakadu National Park, where ancient landscapes await. **Dive into the rich indigenous culture at the Marrawuddi Art Gallery**, admiring exquisite artworks that tell stories of tradition and spirituality. Cap off your day with a degustation dinner at your hotel.

HOTEL Mercure Kakadu Crocodile, 2 nights

MEALS Breakfast, dinner

Day 3: Kakadu National Park

- 🕒 You might choose to begin your morning with a Kakadu scenic flight soaring over the ancient landscapes and majestic waterways as the sun rises (own expense). Then **get ready for a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience as you delve into the ancient history of the region with a guided tour of Burrungkuy (Nourlangie) Rock Art**, hosted by knowledgeable Aboriginal guides, who will share stories of tradition and spirituality. This afternoon, embark on the Guluyambi Cultural Cruise, where you'll journey along the East Alligator River, encountering wildlife and learning about traditional customs and practices from local Aboriginal guides.

MEALS Breakfast

Day 4: Kakadu – Nitmiluk National Park

- 🍷 Travel to the small town of Katherine and immerse yourself in the heartwarming hospitality of the Curtin family during an exclusive meet and greet, setting the stage for an unforgettable experience ahead. Dive into the immersive Katherine Outback Experience, where the essence of Outback life unfolds before your eyes. As the sun sets, **retreat to the luxurious comfort of Cicada Lodge in Nitmiluk National Park**, where your dinner awaits.

HOTEL Cicada Lodge, 2 nights

MEALS Breakfast, dinner

Day 5: Nitmiluk Gorge

- 🍷 Start the day with a leisurely breakfast before venturing to the tranquil Katherine Hot Springs for a mid-morning soak amidst lush surroundings. As the afternoon unfolds, embark on an enthralling cruise along majestic Nitmiluk (Katherine) Gorge, with its towering cliffs and ancient rock formations that bear witness to millennia of natural history. With the sun beginning its descent, **board your Sunset Dinner Cruise, where the golden hues of twilight cast a magical spell over the Nitmiluk Gorge landscape** where dinner is perfectly complemented by the stunning scenery. After a day filled with blissful moments and unforgettable experiences, retire again to the sanctuary of Cicada Lodge.

MEALS Breakfast, dinner

Day 6: Katherine – Darwin

Enjoy breakfast before setting out for one last adventure in the Top End. Travel to a different corner of Nitmiluk National Park, where **the enchanting Leliyn (Edith) Falls beckon**. With the opportunity for a refreshing swim (seasonal) immerse yourself in the cool waters and soak in the tranquillity of this natural oasis. Travel along the Stuart Highway and return to Darwin.

HOTEL Hilton Darwin
MEALS Breakfast

Day 7: Darwin – Alice Springs

After a morning flight to Alice Springs your Central Australian Journey Director will provide a unique perspective on life in this remote town. **Explore the history of the region at the iconic Overland Telegraph Station**, then delve into the world of indigenous culture with an exclusive experience led by Rayleen Brown. Rayleen will share her knowledge of Aboriginal bush tucker, accompanied by a tantalizing tasting of native-flavored foods. Join your fellow travelers for a Welcome Reception at Tali Restaurant.

HOTEL Crowne Plaza Alice Springs
MEALS Breakfast, dinner

Day 8: Alice Springs – Kings Canyon

Head off along the 4WD Giles Track, crossing dry riverbeds and outback landscapes, to Kings Canyon Resort. The flickering glow of this evening's fire, dancing under the canopy of a starry Southern Hemisphere sky, is the perfect accompaniment to your **Local Dining Experience 'Under a Desert Moon'**. Your degustation menu is complemented by matching wines. Sit back and listen to the sounds of the Outback come alive at night in the company of new friends.

HOTEL Kings Canyon Resort
MEALS Breakfast, lunch, dinner

Day 9: Kings Canyon – Uluru

Gaze across the deep chasm at the edge of Kings Canyon as you embark on the spellbinding 6km sunrise Rim Walk, past the sandstone domes of the 'Lost City' and down the stairs through the lush 'Garden of Eden'. Or you can opt for a gentler stroll along the canyon creek bed. Then head off towards Uluru, visiting the local Wanmarra Community to **learn about the Luritja and Pertame people's spiritual connection to the land, at the Karrke Aboriginal Cultural Experience**. Now you'll journey across desert landscapes to Curtin Springs Station, a vast farming property, for lunch. Feel the stirring of something bigger than you as you arrive at Australia's spiritual heart, Uluru. Uncover the foundations of Anangu culture and the important creation stories of Uluru, when you visit the Cultural Centre before returning to the resort. This evening dinner is at Ilkari Restaurant.

HOTEL Sails In the Desert, 2 nights
MEALS Breakfast, lunch, dinner

Day 10: Field of Light – Uluru – Kata Tjuta

Start your day with the **breathtaking Sunrise Field of Light by artist Bruce Munro**. Immerse yourself in the mesmerizing installation and enjoy the desert awakening as the sun rises over Uluru. After breakfast, **travel to Kata Tjuta for a morning of exploration and awe-inspiring landscapes as you wander through Walpa Gorge**. Enjoy some free time for lunch, before embarking on a tour at the base of Uluru, delving into the rich cultural significance of this sacred site. Cap off your day with sunset drinks, while witnessing the changing colors of Uluru as the sun sets. The evening is yours to unwind and enjoy at leisure.

MEALS Breakfast

Day 11: Uluru – Alice Springs

Traverse the outback landscapes, before turning the corner at Ertlunda. Stop for a break at Stuart Wells, another classic outback roadhouse on the Stuart Highway. Before arriving at Alice Springs, you'll **divert to the West MacDonnell Ranges to explore the rugged beauty of spectacular Simpsons Gap**. As evening approaches, delve into the heart of the East MacDonnell Ranges for your open-air bush BBQ Celebration Dinner. Your meal is accompanied by a bush balladeer, who will regale you with tales of outback life beneath the vast expanse of the Southern Hemisphere's Milky Way. It's an authentic outback experience that will leave you with lasting memories.

HOTEL Crowne Plaza Alice Springs
MEALS Breakfast, dinner

Day 12: Farewell From Alice Springs

Relax this morning, before you bid farewell to your traveling companions and your epic inspiring journey ends.

MEALS Breakfast



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DEPARTURES (2025-26 Season)

2025

Jun	04	Aug	27
Jul	16, 30	Sep	10, 24

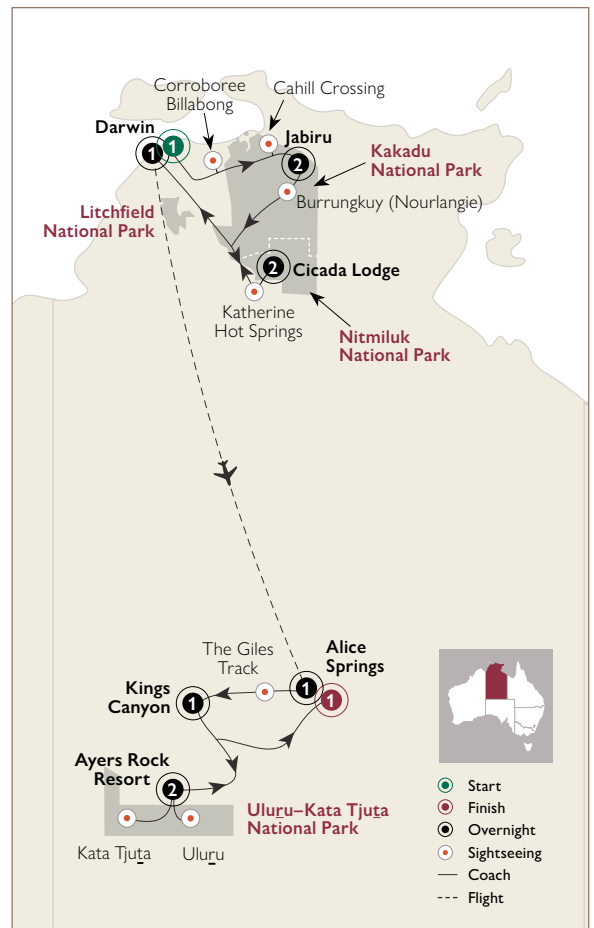
INCLUSIONS

- Small group (average 16 guests)
- 20 included meals
- 11 nights premium and authentic accommodations

NOTES

MNCR: DARWIN TO ALICE SPRINGS

- Day 1 – flights to arrive prior to 12 noon into Darwin Airport
- Day 12 – flights to depart anytime from Alice Springs Airport
- Tour price includes internal-vacation airfare.
- Private vehicle return airport to hotel transfers in Darwin are included in the price.
- Flights to and from your tour are not included in the tour price.



KAKADU'S ANCIENT SECRETS

DARWIN | KAKADU NATIONAL PARK | NITMILUK (KATHERINE) GORGE |
ABORIGINAL ROCK ART

06
DAYS



Katherine Hot Springs

IMMERSE

Go on a journey through Australia's rural life, showcasing horsemanship, working dogs, and bush tales, and join an Aboriginal Guide at Burrungkuy (Nourlangie) Rock Art Site.

INDULGE

Dine under the stars on a sunset dinner cruise through Nitmiluk Gorge, and indulge in a degustation dinner in Kakadu.

EXPLORE

Spot crocodiles and other wildlife on the Corroboree Billabong Cruise, and disembark in Arnhem Land on the Guluyambi Cultural Cruise.

RELAX

Soak in the thermal waters of Katherine Hot Springs, and take a dip in the paperbark and pandanus fringed natural pool at Leliyn (Edith) Falls.

Explore Kakadu, an ancient landscape of billabongs, gorges and hidden canyons teeming with spectacular wildlife. Admire rock art and hear stories of the Dreamtime. Embark on a journey to the haunt of the Lightning Man, Aboriginal clans and the crocodiles that roam Kakadu's floodplains.

Day 1: Welcome to Darwin

Touch down in Darwin and let the adventure begin with your airport transfer. Dive straight into the essence of Australia's Northern Territory at Aboriginal Bush Traders, where your taste buds will be tantalized with native flavors, before you explore the indigenous art. Later, immerse yourself in the heart of Darwin, where every corner reveals a new story. Trace the city's history through iconic landmarks like Parliament House, Government House, and the beautifully restored historical Administration building, on a short walking tour.

HOTEL Hilton Darwin

Day 2: Darwin – Kakadu National Park

- ✎ Embark on a whirlwind of adventure and cultural immersion in Australia's Northern Territory. Departing Darwin, **your journey begins with the serene beauty of the Corroboree Billabong Wetland Cruise**, where you'll glide through pristine wetlands, spotting crocodiles and colorful birdlife. Continue your exploration in Kakadu National Park, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, where ancient landscapes await.
- 🕒 **Dive into the rich indigenous culture at the Marrawuddi Art Gallery**, admiring exquisite artworks that tell stories of tradition and spirituality. Cap off your day with a culinary extravaganza at the Mercure Crocodile Hotel, indulging in a degustation dinner.

HOTEL Mercure Kakadu Crocodile, 2 nights

MEALS Breakfast, dinner

Day 3: Kakadu National Park

This is another day of unparalleled adventure and cultural immersion in the heart of Kakadu National Park. You might choose to begin your morning with a Kakadu scenic flight soaring over the ancient landscapes and majestic waterways in the early morning (own expense). Then **get ready for a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience as you delve into the ancient history of the region with a guided tour of Burrungkuy (Nourlangie) Rock Art**, hosted by knowledgeable Aboriginal guides, who will share stories of tradition and spirituality. Enjoy some leisure time for lunch. This afternoon, **embark on the Gulyambi Cultural Cruise**, where you'll journey along the East Alligator River, encountering wildlife and learning about traditional customs and practices from local Aboriginal guides. Immerse yourself in the rich tapestry of culture and nature that defines the Northern Territory, creating memories to last a lifetime.

MEALS Breakfast

Day 4: Kakadu – Nitmiluk National Park

Travel to the small town of Katherine, where adventure and discovery await. Upon arrival, **immerse yourself in the heartwarming hospitality of the Curtin family** during an exclusive meet and greet, setting the stage for an unforgettable experience ahead. Dive into the immersive Katherine Outback Experience, where the essence of Outback life unfolds before your eyes. From the skills of working dogs to the art of horse training, gain insights into the challenges and triumphs of Outback living, deepening your appreciation for the rugged beauty of the Australian landscape. As the sun sets, **retreat to the luxurious comfort of Cicada Lodge in Nitmiluk National Park**, where your dinner awaits amidst the whispers of the bush, marking the perfect conclusion to a day filled with exploration, cultural immersion, and the timeless allure of the Northern Territory.

HOTEL Cicada Lodge, 2 nights

MEALS Breakfast, dinner

Day 5: Nitmiluk Gorge Cruise

Start the day with a leisurely breakfast before **venturing to the tranquil Katherine Hot Springs for a mid-morning soak** amidst lush surroundings. Indulge in the soothing thermal spring waters, allowing nature's warmth to melt away any cares. Afterwards, enjoy free time for lunch in the charming town of Katherine. As the afternoon unfolds, embark on an enthralling cruise along majestic Nitmiluk (Katherine) Gorge, marvelling at towering cliffs and ancient rock formations that bear witness to millennia of natural history. With the sun beginning its descent, **board your Sunset Dinner Cruise, where the golden hues of twilight cast a magical spell over the Nitmiluk Gorge landscape** as you savor your meal, perfectly complemented by the stunning scenery. After a day filled with blissful moments and unforgettable experiences, retire again to the sanctuary of Cicada Lodge, where the comforts of home await amidst the rugged beauty of Nitmiluk National Park.

MEALS Breakfast, dinner

Day 6: Nitmiluk National Park – Farewell from Darwin

On the final day of this remarkable journey, enjoy a delicious breakfast before bidding farewell to Cicada Lodge and setting out for one last adventure. Travel to the northern corner of Nitmiluk National Park, where **the enchanting Leliyn (Edith) Falls beckon**. With the opportunity for a refreshing swim (seasonal) immerse yourself in the cool waters and soak in the tranquillity of this natural oasis. As the day progresses, travel up the Stuart Highway back to Darwin, where this unforgettable tour ends. Reflecting on the memories made amidst the stunning landscapes and cultural treasures of the Top End of the Northern Territory, cherish the experiences that have filled your heart and soul along this extraordinary journey.

MEALS Breakfast



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DEPARTURES (2025-26 Season)

2025

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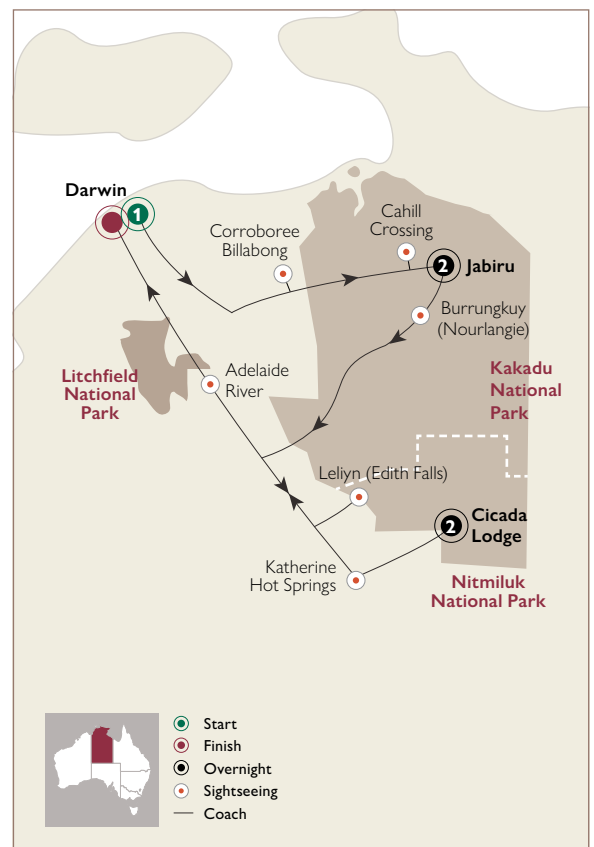
INCLUSIONS

- Small group (average 16 guests)
- 8 included meals
- 5 nights premium and authentic accommodations

NOTES

MNDD: DARWIN RETURN

- Day 1 – flights to arrive prior to 12 noon into Darwin Airport
- Day 6 – flights to depart after 8.00pm from Darwin Airport
- Private vehicle return airport to hotel transfers are included in the price.
- Flights to and from your tour are not included in the tour price.



OUTBACK CONTRASTS

ALICE SPRINGS | WEST MACDONNELL RANGES | KINGS CANYON |
KATA TJUTA | ULURU

06
DAYS

IMMERSE

Experience true outback life at lunch on Peter Severin's million acre property in the heart of the Red Centre.

INDULGE

Bask in the glow of the campfire as you indulge in a five course degustation with matching wines at Kings Canyon Resort.

EXPLORE

Enter Walpa Gorge, an ancient temple crafted by nature, and discover the scenic wonders of the West MacDonnell Ranges.

RELAX

Nestled in the rugged bush, unwind in a Deluxe Room with a private balcony overlooking a rock escarpment, at Kings Canyon Resort.

Walpa Gorge

Witness the rugged landscape of the Red Centre and marvel at the ancient cultures that have cared for this land for generations. Experience the majesty of Uluru, Kings Canyon and view rock art dating back thousands of years, witness striking landscapes and be immersed in the stories of the Dreamtime.

Day 1: Welcome to Alice Springs

Explore the vibrant culture and rich history of Alice Springs with a tailored itinerary that promises unforgettable experiences. Begin by meeting your insightful Journey Director, who will provide a unique perspective on life in this remote town. **Explore the history of the region at the iconic Overland Telegraph Station**, then into the world of indigenous culture with an exclusive experience led by Rayleen Brown. Rayleen will share her knowledge of Aboriginal bush tucker, accompanied by a tantalizing tasting of native-flavored foods. Join your fellow travelers for a Welcome Reception at Tali Restaurant, where you will dine on local cuisine and reflect on the day's discoveries.

HOTEL Crowne Plaza Alice Springs

MEALS Dinner

Day 2: Alice Springs – Kings Canyon

Head off along the 4WD Giles Track, crossing dry riverbeds and outback landscapes, to Kings Canyon Resort. The flickering glow of this evening's fire, dancing under the canopy of a starry Southern Hemisphere sky, is the perfect accompaniment to your **Local Dining Experience 'Under a Desert Moon'**. Your degustation menu is complemented by matching wines. Sit back and listen to the sounds of the Outback come alive at night in the company of new friends.

HOTEL Kings Canyon Resort

MEALS Breakfast, lunch, dinner

Day 3: Kings Canyon – Uluru

- 👁️ Gaze across the deep chasm at the edge of Kings Canyon as you embark on the spellbinding 6km sunrise Rim Walk, past the sandstone domes of the 'Lost City' and down the stairs to the lush 'Garden of Eden'. Or you can opt for a gentler stroll along the canyon creek bed, treading in the footsteps of the Luritja people who once found sanctuary amidst the Itara trees at the canyon's base. Then head off towards Uluru, visiting the local Wanmarra Community to learn about the Luritja and Pertame people's spiritual connection to the land, at the Karrke Aboriginal Cultural Experience. Discover bush food and medicine used for spirituality and healing. Now you'll journey across desert landscapes to Curtin Springs Station, a vast farming property, for lunch. Feel the stirring of something bigger than you, as you arrive at Australia's spiritual heart, Uluru. Uncover the foundations of Anangu culture and the important creation stories of Uluru, as you spend time wandering through the Cultural Centre before returning to the resort. This evening dinner is at Ilkari Restaurant.

HOTEL Sails In the Desert, 2 nights

MEALS Breakfast, lunch, dinner

Day 4: Uluru & Kata Tjuta

- 👁️ Start your day with the breathtaking Sunrise Field of Light experience by Artist Bruce Munro. Immerse yourself in the mesmerizing art installation and enjoy the desert awakening as the sun rises over Uluru. After sunrise return to the hotel for breakfast.
- 👁️ Then, venture to Kata Tjuta for a morning of exploration and awe-inspiring landscapes as you wander through Walpa Gorge. Enjoy some free time for lunch, before embarking on a tour at the base of Uluru, delving into the rich cultural significance of this sacred site. Cap off your day with sunset drinks, soaking in the vibrant colors of the Outback and the changing colors of Uluru as the sun sets. The evening is yours to unwind and enjoy at leisure.

MEALS Breakfast



Karrke Aboriginal Cultural Experience

Day 5: Uluru – Alice Springs

- 👁️ Traverse the captivating outback landscapes, before turning the corner at Eralunda. Pause for a break at Stuart Wells, a classic outback roadhouse on the Stuart Highway. Before arriving at Alice Springs, you'll divert to the West MacDonnell Ranges to explore the rugged beauty of spectacular Simpsons Gap. As evening approaches, delve into the heart of the East MacDonnell Ranges for your open-air bush BBQ Celebration Dinner. Indulge in savory dishes and refreshing drinks while enjoying the tunes of a bush balladeer, who will regale you with tales of Outback life beneath the vast expanse of the Southern Hemisphere's Milky Way. It's an authentic outback experience that will leave you with lasting memories.

HOTEL Crowne Plaza Alice Springs

MEALS Breakfast, dinner

Day 6: Farewell from Alice Springs

- 👁️ Relax this morning. Consider a hot air balloon ride to experience the scenic landscapes of the Outback (own expense) before your inspiring journey ends.

MEALS Breakfast



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DEPARTURES (2025-26 Season)

2025

Apr	29	Aug	05, 19
May	13, 27	Sep	02, 16, 30
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Jul	22		

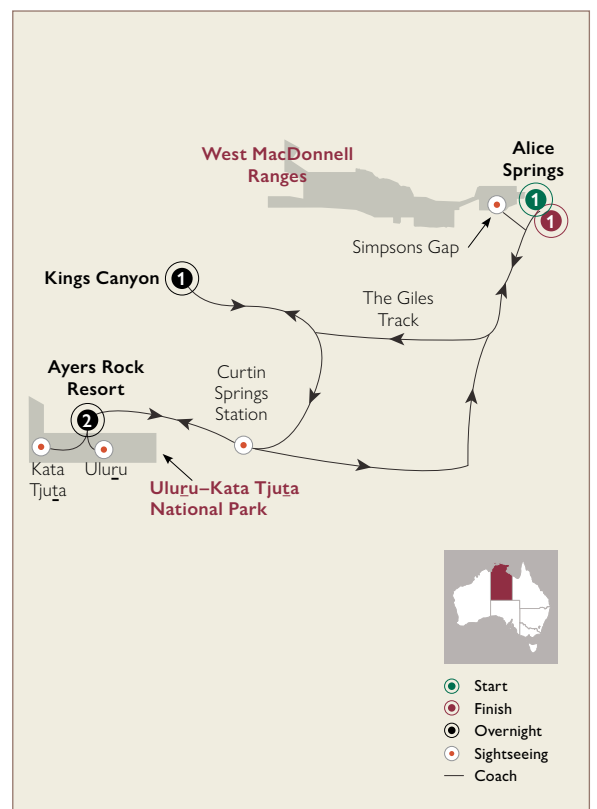
INCLUSIONS

- Small group (average 16 guests)
- 11 included meals
- 5 nights premium and authentic accommodations

NOTES

CRAA: ALICE SPRINGS RETURN

- Day 1 – flights to arrive prior to 12 noon into Alice Springs Airport
- Day 6 – flights to depart anytime from Alice Springs Airport
- Flights to and from your tour are not included in the tour price.



TASTING TASMANIA & FLINDERS ISLAND

LAUNCESTON | FLINDERS ISLAND | FREYCINET NATIONAL PARK | WINEGLASS BAY |
BAY OF FIRES | BARNBOUGLE | DEVONPORT

07
DAYS



Wineglass Bay Cruise

IMMERSE

On a guided convict farm village tour, discover the historic Brickendon Estate, and taste times past with steaming hot scones freshly baked from the original old cookhouse.

INDULGE

Paddock-to-plate dining, seafood lunches, wine, whisky, and farm-shucked oysters. This is a journey of the tastebuds, as you indulge in the vibrant culinary scene around Launceston, a UNESCO City of Gastronomy.

EXPLORE



Expect spectacular views of the Bay of Fires and Wineglass Bay from land and air, flying in a privately chartered plane, and discover the untouched rugged beauty of Flinders Island.

RELAX

Stay at the iconic Barnbougle Lost Farm Links Golf Course and, unwind in the wilderness with a two-night stay on the shores of Coles Bay at the serene Freycinet Lodge.

Experience Tasmania's nature-blessed north and the mostly unexplored Flinders Island. Discover historic towns, and quaint coastal villages, cruise Wineglass Bay and visit the famous orange lichen-covered rocks in between. Meet the many makers, vintners, and growers of this charming region, and drink, dine and indulge with fellow food lovers.


Day 1: Welcome to Launceston

-  Begin your northern Tasmania and Flinders Island adventure in the fertile Tamar Valley, with a **visit to "FORK it FARM"**, whose ethical animal husbandry practices are the foundation of their small-batch products. Here, surrounded by bucolic farm views, your host will share their farming philosophy and stories of life on the land, while you enjoy a charcuterie platter of house-cured meats and accompaniments, matched with local Clover Hill wines. This afternoon,
-  **explore the historic town of Launceston and the stunning Cataract Gorge**, with free time this evening to try one of the city's many fine restaurants.

HOTEL Peppers Silo Hotel

MEALS Lunch

Day 2: Flinders Island – Freycinet National Park

-  After an early morning transfer to Launceston Airport, **board a private chartered flight to Flinders Island**. Your time on this unique island, part of the Furneaux group, includes a tour of Settlement Point and Wybalenna historic site with a knowledgeable local guide. Following morning tea at Allports Beach, you'll visit the Furneaux Museum, then the island's small main settlement, Whitemark, before a **stop at Walkers Lookout for the spectacular 360-degree view of the island and Bass Strait**. Lunch is served with a menu promoting the finest island produce, including the famed local seafood. Later, enjoy a wine-tasting meeting with the passionate owner of the unique Unavale Vineyard. After lunch, you'll travel to Trousers Point in the Strzelecki National Park. **Fly from Flinders Island down the east coast, passing over the stunning Bay of Fires and scenic Wineglass Bay before landing at Friendly Beaches**. After disembarking, travel on to Freycinet National Park, our home for the next two nights.

HOTEL Freycinet Lodge. 2 nights

MEALS Breakfast, lunch, dinner

Day 3: Freycinet National Park

- 🍷 Cruise from Coles Bay to Wineglass Bay, renowned for its limpid turquoise water and silver beach, scattered with pink granite boulders. This MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience contributes to the preservation of wildlife, such as penguins and short-tailed shearwaters. Keep an eye out on the way for wildlife and natural formations such as caves and cascading waterfalls. On board, lunch in the Sky Lounge includes plump local oysters, and smoked meats and cheeses served with the East Coast's renowned wines and artisan brews. Back on land, you'll have free time to discover more of Freycinet National Park. You might choose to **take the 90-minute round trip hike to the lookout for one of the region's most celebrated views of Wineglass Bay**. For a slightly more relaxed afternoon, join a guided walk to the lookout and lighthouse at Cape Tourville. Later, you may want to take a gentle stroll along the crescent beach or have an invigorating dip at Honeymoon Bay. This evening, your time at the lodge is yours to spend at your leisure.

MEALS Breakfast, lunch

Day 4: Freycinet National Park – Barnbougle

- 🍷 After breakfast, **journey north to the glorious Bay of Fires**, with its crystalline water and orange lichen-covered boulders. Visit the tranquil "big lagoon," before heading to the southern end of the bay, to Binalong Gulch and the charming hamlet and sandy beach of Binalong Bay. Here you might choose to just sit and admire the view while savoring some of the best freshly shucked oysters Tassie has to offer. From here it's on to the Northeast Coast, stopping to admire the photogenic "Little Blue Lake," a former tin mining site, before **arriving at the iconic Barnbougle Lost Farm Golf Resort**. An afternoon arrival will give you ample time to take a walk over the dunes, inspect the fairways, wander down to the beach or even get in 9 holes of golf! (Be sure to make a booking directly before your tour). Dinner tonight is at The Lost Farm's restaurant, with its elevated perch on the dunes offering an uninterrupted panorama of Flinders Island and Bass Strait.

HOTEL Barnbougle Lost Farm Golf Resort

MEALS Breakfast, dinner

Day 5: Barnbougle – Devonport

- 🍷 This morning, **step back in time at the UNESCO World Heritage listed Brickendon Estate, a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience**, with a unique guided convict farm village tour, provided by a member of the Archer family, the original owners of the estate. Join them for tea and steaming hot scones baked in the original old cookhouse. Travel to the Irish Gaelic town of Westbury & work up a thirst, **experience some of the locally crafted spirits at the Western Tiers Distillery**, a range that includes "poitin" (Irish spirit), whisky, vodka and gin. From here, visit Deloraine, the heartland of the Meander Valley before savoring some fine, local wines. Next, it's just a short drive to the seaside city of Devonport.

HOTEL Novotel Devonport, 2 nights

MEALS Breakfast, dinner

Day 6: Devonport and Surrounds

- 🍷 Your first stop of the day is **Turner's Beach Berry Patch, where we'll learn about berry farming** and, depending on the season, you can even pick your own berries. Then it's off to Tasmanian Pickled Onions to hear how these moreish salty treats are made. **Lunch is at Mrs Jones Restaurant Bar Lounge in Devonport**, expect lofty views of the waves crashing onto the beach below and an open-plan kitchen to observe the chefs at work. After lunch, take a post-prandial wander up to Mersey Bluff for more magnificent views, before you depart for another tasting, at Devonport's Island State Brewery. Learn something of the fascinating world of brewing and of course, sample a brew or two from their range. Tonight, dinner is at your leisure, to enable you to experience one of Devonport's many dining options.

MEALS Breakfast, lunch

Day 7: Devonport – Farewell from Launceston

- 🍷 After breakfast, **visit the award-winning Spreyton Cider Co.** Hear about the history, and trials and tribulations of apple-growing, the science of cider making, and of course, taste some of this family-owned cidery's wares. Travel to historic Evandale for lunch, where you'll have a relaxed gourmet barbecue at the Tasmanian Gourmet Sauce Company. We'll also taste a selection of the company's jams, sauces, chutneys, and mustards. Afterwards, have a stroll among the unique topiary gardens before your transfer to the airport for your homeward journey.

MEALS Breakfast, lunch



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DEPARTURES (2025-26 Season)

2025		2026	
Oct	19	Jan	11
Nov	09, 30	Feb	08
		Mar	08

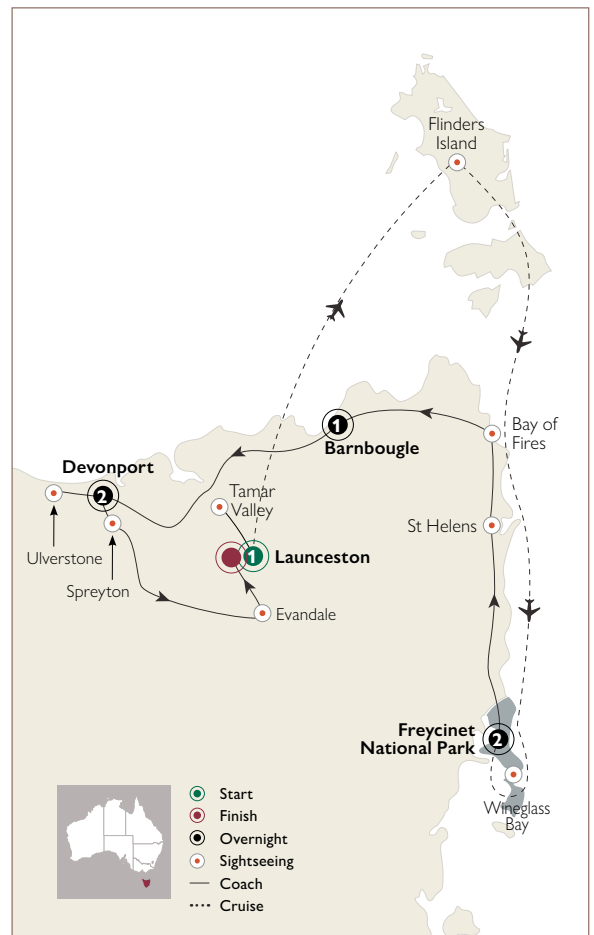
INCLUSIONS

- Small group (average 16 guests)
- 14 included meals
- 6 nights premium and authentic accommodations

NOTES

IJTFL: LAUNCESTON RETURN

- Day 1 – flights to arrive prior to 9.30am into Launceston Airport. (We strongly recommend you arrive the evening prior)
- Day 7 – flights to depart after 5.00pm from Launceston Airport.
- Tour price includes internal-vacation airfares.
- Private vehicle return airport to hotel transfers are included in the price.
- Flights to and from your tour are not included in the tour price.



SOUTH AUSTRALIA MURRAY RIVER CRUISE & WINE

ADELAIDE | PROUD MARY MURRAY RIVER CRUISE |
BERRI | MONARTO SAFARI PARK | MCLAREN VALE

07
DAYS



Proud Mary Murray River Cruise

IMMERSE

Discover the many levels of winemaking within the d'Arenberg Cube. Learn the history of the Mannum township. Dine riverside under the stars, with live local entertainment beside the campfire.

INDULGE

Be introduced to the flavors of Adelaide Central Market. Experience a farm-to-fork lunch at the iconic Currant Shed. Take part in a Gin Blending Masterclass at the 23rd Street Distillery.

EXPLORE

Experience wildlife at Monarto Safari Park while enjoying canapés and sparkling wine. Cruise the mighty Murray River, spotting birdlife and nocturnal wildlife.

RELAX

Spend two idyllic nights in your river-view cabin, aboard the Proud Mary riverboat. Continue your riverside nights in the historic township of Berri, known as Australia's fruit bowl.

South Australian travel at its best. Discover Adelaide's famous food markets and award-winning cellar doors. Find the serenity of a scenic Murray River Cruise with nights spent near the campfire on river bends. This is your perfect itinerary to uncover the rich wildlife and landscapes of this bountiful region.

Day 1: Welcome to Adelaide



Be welcomed into your modern boutique-style Hotel Indigo Adelaide Markets and meet your fellow travelers with a glass of local sparkling wine in hand. Next, **your foodie adventure begins at Adelaide Central Market**. You'll meet your expert hosts who'll introduce you to the passionate market stall owners and creators of delicacies, they'll share with you their stories and craft. Taste signature dishes throughout the market, enjoying a four-course roaming Welcome Reception with local wine.

HOTEL Hotel Indigo Adelaide Markets

MEALS Lunch

Day 2: Adelaide – Proud Mary River Cruise



This morning after a relaxing breakfast, enjoy a city sights tour before leaving the city for a taste of the country. Head off to Mount Lofty for panoramic views across Adelaide's city skyline to the coast. Then **onto historic Hahndorf, settled by 19th-century Lutheran migrants**, it's known for its original German-style architecture and artisanal food. There is time to wander at leisure around this quaint village before **heading to the rich landscape of McLaren Vale, home of the quirky d'Arenberg Cube**. This building was inspired by the complexities and puzzles of winemaking, each of the five levels has been designed to entice and excite the senses. Here you'll be taken on a journey like no other before arriving on the 5th floor for a tasting and 360-degree views of

🍷 the vineyards. Late afternoon travel to the Riverland region to **join the Proud Mary riverboat for a spectacular two-night cruise**. Once settled into your comfortable river-view cabin, join your fellow guests for a delicious supper. Proud Mary ties up at Woodlane, our mooring for a night of peace and tranquillity in the Australian bush.

CRUISE Proud Mary (Woodlane)
MEALS Breakfast, dinner

Day 3: Proud Mary Riverboat Cruise

🍷 Willow trees dot the riverbanks as you cruise past Mannum, **enjoy a delicious lunch prepared by your riverboat chefs as you continue to cruise upstream through Younghusband and Teal Flat**. Alongside towering cliffs and beautiful sandy beaches, leave the Proud Mary for an informative guided cruise with an expert ecologist, who on a smaller boat will lead you through the shallows and up close to the cliffs of the Murray River. This evening you'll **dine under the stars, a barbecue amidst the restful sounds of the nearby river**, followed by live entertainment around a warming campfire.

CRUISE Proud Mary (Teal Flat)
MEALS Breakfast, lunch, dinner

Day 4: Proud Mary – Berri

🍷 Breakfast is served as you head downstream through the townships of Younghusband, Pellaring Flat and Cowirra. **Arrive in picturesque Mannum and take a stroll through this small township** that has played a significant role in the development of South Australia. Rejoin the Proud Mary for a delicious lunch of fresh local produce as you cruise past Ponde, Caloote, Woodlane, Mypolonga and Willow Banks. Arrive back at Murray Bridge in the late afternoon, traveling next to the historic township of Berri.

HOTEL Berri Hotel, 2 nights
MEALS Breakfast, lunch, dinner

Day 5: Loxton & Renmark

🍷 Spend the day exploring this local region with a sightseeing tour of Berri. Learn about the history of this area from its early pioneering days to now, where it is better known as Australia's fruit bowl, growing some of the country's best regional produce. You'll visit one of the local fruit stalls tasting fresh fruit directly from the farmer. Next is a **visit to the Loxton Historical Village** featuring over 45 exhibits and buildings, farm machinery and old vehicles, and artefacts from 1890 to 1960. It's then onto 23rd Street Distillery. After lunch **become a distiller for the day and learn how to balance botanicals as you design a bespoke gin of your own** in a blending masterclass. Then, head into Renmark where you can spend the remainder of the afternoon exploring the many river trails or the silo art close by before choosing a restaurant for dinner at your leisure.

MEALS Breakfast, lunch

Day 6: Berri – Monarto – Murray Bridge

🍷 Today, continue along the Riverland region as you head to Banrock Station vineyards and wetlands that sit side by side along the banks of the meandering Murray River. **Learn about their partnership with Landcare Australia on a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience**, planting native trees and shrubs to restore the local wetlands. To date, Banrock Station has donated over \$7.5 million to conserving efforts, you will now be a part of that journey. Enjoy a guided trail before tasting some of their wines, and learning how they are environmentally produced. Later this afternoon, **have an award-winning Monarto Safari Park experience**, sipping wine and sampling canapés as lions roar nearby.

HOTEL Bridgeport Hotel
MEALS Breakfast, dinner

Day 7: Murray Bridge – Farewell from Adelaide

🍷 Today our tasting trail continues as you **head on a McLaren Vale tour and tasting at Shottesbrooke**, a delicious final wine tasting, and lunch is followed at the Iconic Currant Shed. After many days of newfound friendship, it's time to bid you farewell from Adelaide.

MEALS Breakfast, lunch



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DEPARTURES (2025-26 Season)

2025		2026	
Sep	11	Feb	26
Oct	02, 23	Mar	26
Nov	20		

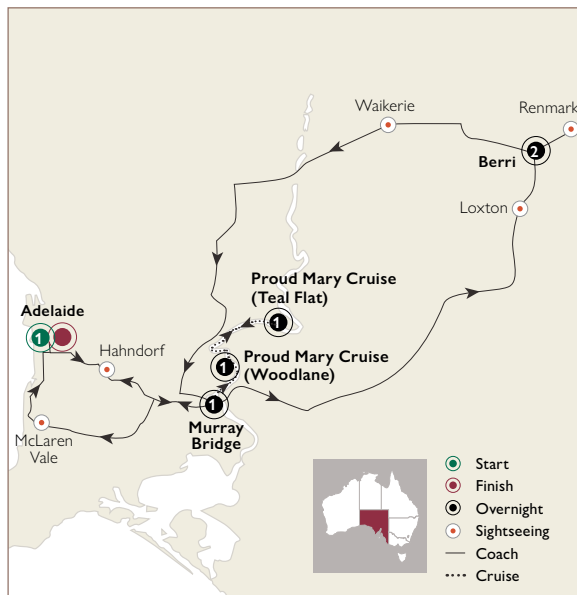
INCLUSIONS

- Small group (average 16 guests)
- 15 included meals
- 6 nights premium and authentic accommodations

NOTES

SAMA: ADELAIDE RETURN

- Day 1 – flights to arrive prior to 11.00am into Adelaide Airport
- Day 7 – flights to depart after 5.30pm (Domestic) or after 7.00pm (International) from Adelaide Airport
- Private vehicle return airport to hotel transfers are included in the price.
- Flights to and from your tour are not included in the tour price.



KIMBERLEY GORGES & GIBB RIVER ROAD

BROOME | GIBB RIVER ROAD | MOUNT HART WILDERNESS LODGE | EL QUESTRO WILDERNESS PARK | KUNUNURRA | PURNULULU NATIONAL PARK | FITZROY CROSSING

11
DAYS



Bungle Bungle Savannah Lodge

IMMERSE

Cruise through the Ord River and fascinating Chamberlain gorges, gaining insights into the incredible wildlife and geology of the area.

INDULGE

Dine under the stars as you experience Kimberley hospitality at Emma Gorge Resort and sample a unique range of native-infused craft beers at Spinifex Brewery.

EXPLORE

Discover the majestic orange and black striped Bungle Bungle domes. Swim in the picturesque Barker Pool and explore Dalmanyi (Bell Gorge) with its cascading waterfall.

RELAX

Stay at Mt Hart Wilderness Lodge and Bungle Bungle Savannah Lodge, enjoying the peaceful nature-filled surrounds. Take a dip in the naturally warm thermal waters of Zebedee Springs.

Indulge in a medley of unforgettable experiences, as you explore the rugged landscapes of the Kimberley region. From tranquil cruises through dramatic gorges to refreshing dips in hidden swimming spots, discover the unique flora and fauna of this amazing outback wilderness, all while staying at charming and secluded lodges enveloped by nature.

Day 1: Welcome to Broome

Venture into the otherworldly Kimberley region in Western Australia and **visit the iconic resort beach town of Broome**, famous for its white, sandy beaches. Take a sightseeing tour and be guided through Gantheaume Point, Chinatown and Cable Beach. The 22km-long Cable Beach will provide the best seat in the house to view the most amazing sunsets Australia has to offer. Conclude the day with a **beer tour and tasting followed by a Welcome Dinner at Spinifex Brewery**.

HOTEL Oaks Cable Beach or Oaks Broome

MEALS Dinner

Day 2: Broome – Mount Hart

After an early breakfast travel along the Great Northern Highway, stopping briefly at Willare Bridge Roadhouse, before arriving at Derby – on the edge of King Sound, near the mouth of the mighty Fitzroy River. Continue to **Bandilgan (Windjana Gorge) National Park** – home to sandy riverbeds, lush savannahs, and more than a few freshwater crocodiles. From here, you'll **venture into Dimalurru (Tunnel Creek)**, a large cave system carved into the limestone of the Napier Range. The National Park features interesting stalactite and stalagmites formations and is home to many bat and crocodile species. **Spend unforgettable nights in the unique tented accommodations of the Mount Hart Wilderness Lodge**.

HOTEL Mount Hart Wilderness Lodge, 2 nights

MEALS Breakfast, lunch, dinner

Day 3: Mount Hart

Spend an entire day basking in the breathtaking scenery of the Wunaamin Conservation Park. Start with a brisk morning swim in the picturesque Barker Pool. This afternoon **explore Dalmanyi (Bell Gorge), with its cascading waterfall that feeds into a deep pool**, making it perfect for swimming.

MEALS Breakfast, lunch, dinner

Day 4: Mount Hart – Emma Gorge

🚰 Continue your journey along the famous Gibb River Road, stopping for a **refreshing swim at Galvans Gorge**, located in the Wunaamin Miliwundi Ranges Conservation Park. After a restorative picnic, it's time to ford the shallows of the Durack River and Pentecost River to arrive at the foothills of the Cockburn Range, home of El Questro Wilderness Park.

HOTEL Emma Gorge Resort, 2 nights
MEALS Breakfast, lunch, dinner

Day 5: El Questro Wilderness Park

🍷🍷 Explore Emma Gorge, taking in the dramatic cliffs and serene beauty of its droplet waterfall. Take a relaxing dip in Zebedee Springs and work up an appetite, since tonight you will **dine under the stars at Emma Gorge Resort**.

MEALS Breakfast, lunch, dinner

Day 6: Emma Gorge – Kununurra

🎯 Start the day with a pleasant early morning cruise on the Chamberlain Gorge surrounded by towering escarpments. Then, travel down the Gibb River Road for the last time as you head into Kununurra and on to Lake Argyle, where another amazing cruise awaits. This time, you will **cruise down the Ord River, a spectacular waterway home to amazing flora and fauna**. Continue to Kununurra for your overnight stay.

HOTEL Kununurra Country Club Resort
MEALS Breakfast, lunch, dinner

Day 7: Kununurra – Purnululu National Park

🚰 Enjoy some leisure time in Kununurra, witnessing the lush tropical farms and orchards that have flourished since the inauguration of the Order River Irrigation Scheme in the early 1960's. Your journey southward then leads you to the **breathtaking World Heritage-listed Purnululu National Park**. Prepare to be captivated by the awe-inspiring sight of the Bungle Bungle Range's striking orange and black-striped domes.

HOTEL Bungle Bungle Savannah Lodge, 2 nights
MEALS Breakfast, lunch, dinner

Day 8: Bungle Bungle

🚰 Begin your adventure with a morning walk along the tranquil Piccaninny Creek and the iconic Bungle Bungle domes, leading to the awe-inspiring Cathedral Gorge for a picnic lunch in this natural amphitheatre. This afternoon, venture to the northern reaches of the Bungle Bungle to **explore the captivating Echidna Chasm**. Conclude your day by witnessing the sunset cast its golden hues over the beehive formations.

MEALS Breakfast, lunch, dinner

Day 9: Bungle Bungle – Fitzroy Crossing

Today you will travel through Halls Creek to Fitzroy Crossing, passing pristine wilderness and unique rock formations along the way.

HOTEL Fitzroy River Lodge
MEALS Breakfast, lunch, dinner

Day 10: Fitzroy Crossing – Broome

Once again, you'll trace the breathtaking landscapes of the Kimberley as you return to Broome. As the evening descends, gather with your newfound friends for a heartfelt Farewell Dinner.

HOTEL Oaks Broome or Oaks Cable Beach
MEALS Breakfast, dinner

Day 11: Farewell from Broome

After 11 memorable days of shared experiences and meaningful bonds, it's time to head home.

MEALS Breakfast



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DEPARTURES (2025-26 Season)

2025	
Jun	19
Jul	10
Aug	07

INCLUSIONS

- Small group (average 16 guests)
- 28 included meals
- 10 nights premium and authentic accommodations

NOTES

IJBB: BROOME RETURN

- Day 1 – flights to arrive prior to 12 noon into Broome Airport
- Day 11 – flights to depart anytime from Broome airport.
- Private vehicle return airport to hotel transfers are included in the price.
- Flights to and from your tour are not included in the tour price.

